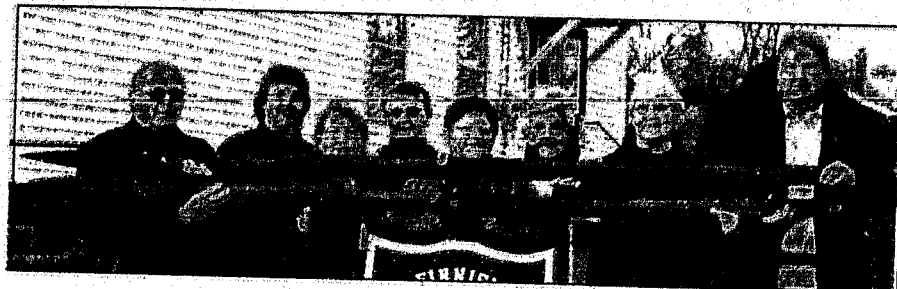


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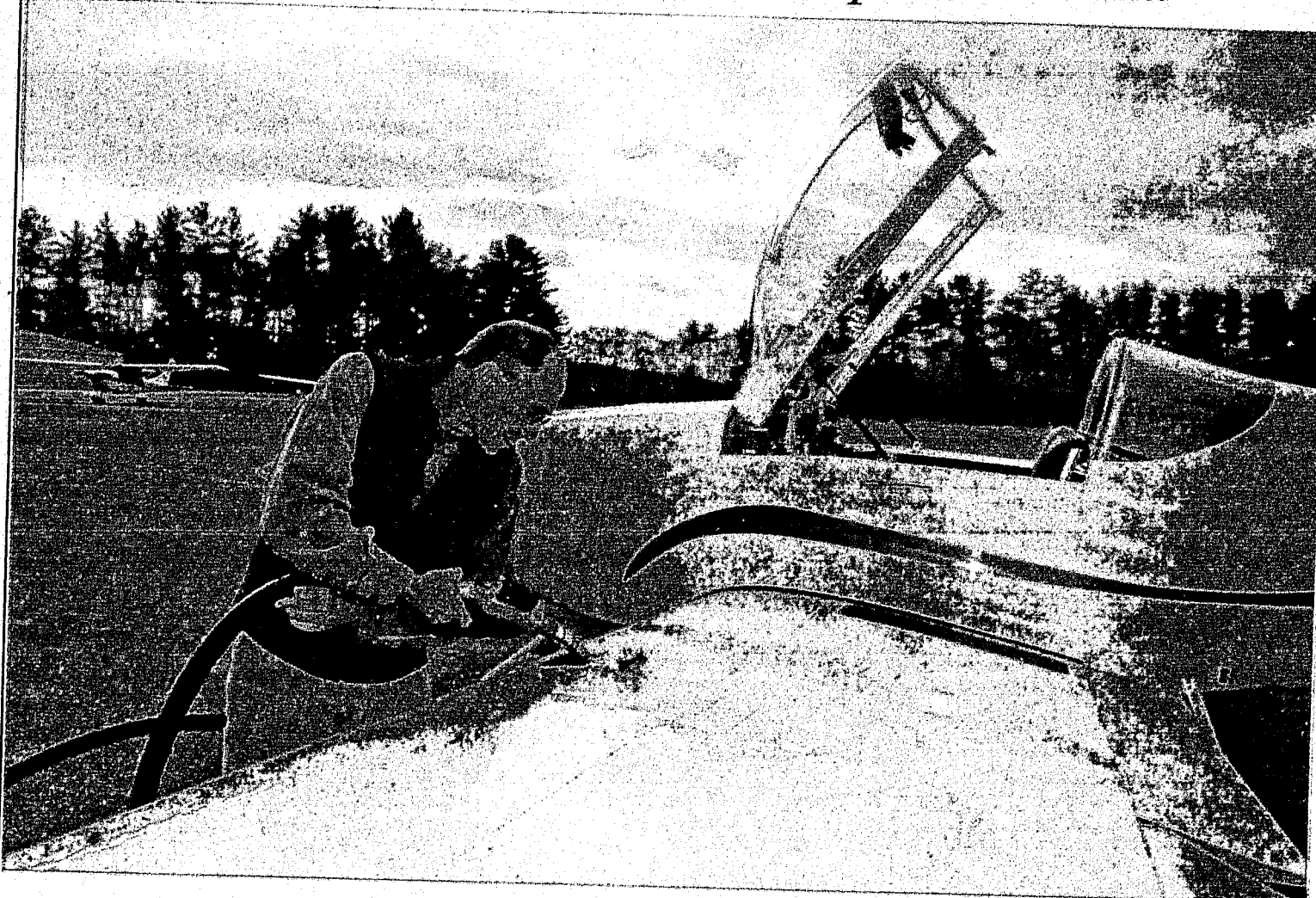
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Jonathan Plengey of Freedom puts fuel into his RV7 airplane at the Bethel Airport. "I come here a lot to buy fuel," he said, noting that the price is often a dollar a gallon cheaper than at other airports. But it's not always just the gas that prompts him to wing his way over to Bethel. "Sometimes I fly up the Androscoggin Valley," he said, to enjoy the scenery. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

\$450,000 airport improvement project slated for spring

By ALISON ALOISIO

A \$450,000 project to build a new terminal building and entrance road for the Bethel Regional Airport is expected to get underway next spring, pending approval of federal funds that will pay for 90 percent of it.

The 26x50-square-foot building will replace the existing 256-square-foot

"pilot's lounge." The new entrance road will be a right turn off the North Road, replacing an entrance that currently shares Airport Road with the town's Gamm building.

The plans also include a new parking area and relocation of the airport's fencing.

The town of Bethel will

be responsible for 5 percent of the project cost. The bulk will be paid for with federal funds, with the state chipping in 5 percent, according to Town Manager Jim Doar.

Doar said the relocation of the entrance road will aid in making the "apron" areas near the runway more secure.

The Bethel Airport Au-

thority is currently pursuing permitting for the project in order to be eligible for the Federal Aviation Administration funds next year.

The project is part of a 20-year Airport Capital Improvement Plan, approved by Bethel selectmen in August, which addresses an expected increase in airport usage

and actively encourages more use by itinerant pilots.

Next year's work is part of a short-time phase (2011-2015) of the plan.

Instrument landings, takeoffs coming

Another short-term component is the development of a "nonprec-

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Bethel Airport is a popular destination and fueling stop

By ALISON ALOISIO

A look at the Bethel Airport's logbook entries from 2009 provides a bit of insight into the types of flights coming in and out, as well as how the airport is viewed by the pilots.

Most planes hailed from within New England, and almost all were from the Northeastern U.S.

Among the comments

and reasons pilots listed for coming to Bethel: sight-seeing; great experience - skiing; medical emergency/LifeFlight helicopter; U.S. Air Force; cross-country flight - first visit; worried about hail - wish town had hangars; office looks great; excellent services/beautiful airport; best airport in New England; would love

an instrument approach; nice airport - needs a pedestrian gate; Inland Fisheries & Wildlife aircraft; Maine Forest Service aircraft; great fuel price - best in state; when is the next cookout/flyin?

More recently, pilots can comment about airports on the website AirNav.com.

Comments about Beth-

el from 2011 and 2012 include:

"We base about 50 miles away, but buy nearly all our gas at Bethel due to consistently low prices. Great little airport with good basic facilities. Interesting area as the climb out from RWY 32 can take you over Sunday River Skiway (if you can climb at least 1,000 feet

per minute)."

"This is one of the best places in the nation to stop for fuel - imagine this: attractively priced self-serve, comfortable, heated pilot room with self-serve food and drink. Clean and comfortable!"

"Great fuel stop on our way from Baltimore to Bangor. Saved \$60 in fuel

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Newry selectmen wary of Chamber of Commerce

By ALISON ALOISIO

After declining to designate a town official to serve on the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors, Newry selectmen last week cited both time constraints and concerns about the impact of economic development promoted by BACC on the Bear River area of Newry.

The board did, however, agree to meet roughly twice a year with BACC representatives to discuss issues.

A month ago, town officials showed little interest in a query from BACC about having a municipal representative on the Chamber Board of Directors.

Last week BACC Executive Director Robin Zinchuk attended the selectmen's meeting to talk to them about communication.

"If you don't want to have specifically a board seat, I'd like to explore ways to have a more regular dialogue," she said. "I think the Chamber board

feels the things we do benefit each of the towns, but we'd like more dialogue about what you think the Chamber's role could play to help Newry advance future business growth, etc."

She said that earlier this year, participation by area selectmen in a forum on strategic planning for the Chamber's future had been beneficial, and the Chamber would like to see such interaction more regularly.

She also said the strategic plan drawn up by the BACC had established a short-term objective of playing a more active role in economic development in the area.

Having representation on the BACC board, she said, "doesn't obligate the town other than getting a better understanding of the things the Chamber board is hoping to do. As a Chamber board member you have a seat at the table, where you can interject your thoughts, your feelings based on what you notice issues are to the people who you're serving."

Selectman Brooks Morton was skeptical.

He said he read the Chamber's strategic plan, and "I was trying to find a place where it came right out and gave a plan. There's a lot of fancy words and beating around the bush. But I couldn't see anything the town could really grab a hold of as far as what their involvement, how it would benefit the townspeople."

"A big thing that runs through [the plan] is to capitalize on 'quality of place,'" said Morton. "Could you be more specific on how that will be

integrated into the overall plan?"

Zinchuk said the term "is only in that one short-term objective. It means this place is a place people either want to stay or live in, or the thing that draws people here. When somebody is choosing to relocate their business and move here and become a customer of all of our businesses, they're coming here because of the place. It's a special quality that this place has, and that really is what's our competitive edge. People can choose to be anywhere, go anywhere on vacation, open a busi-

ness anywhere, and if they choose here it's because of the place. That's why we use those terms."

Replied Morton, "Anytime I hear you speak that comes out of your mouth. I realize you've been involved in a lot of state planning things, through the quality of place, that whole best practice for enhancing quality of place through regional landscape conservation of Maine - that study you were involved in in 2008. That's where I draw my definition of quality of place, are the things that have been written on the

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Woodstock considers footbridge over dam

By ALISON ALOISIO

Woodstock selectmen are pondering whether a dam reconstruction project on Lake Christopher should include a footbridge across the top of the dam.

Engineer Jim Sysko met with the board last week to present his preliminary plans for fixing the leaking, century-old dam just off Rowe Hill Road. The estimated cost for the work is currently \$135,000.

The plan calls for adding four feet of width to one side of the existing dam spillway, and 10 inches of height to the sidewalls (see illustration, Page 3).

Sysko also presented drawings of an arched footbridge crossing over the middle of the dam. The added cost for the pressure-treated wood structure would be approximately \$2,000 to \$3,000, he said.

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Finnish-American Society transfers vintage skis to museum

Special to the Bethel Citizen

Two vintage handmade skis that illustrate a chapter of Maine's rich skiing heritage have found a new home.

Measuring more than nine feet long, the pair of skis was crafted of wood in the late 1930s by Eino Koljonen, who was born in 1904 in Finland and is buried in the Finnish Cemetery in West Paris.

They were donated to the Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine by Koljonen's daughter, Madeline Roberts.

They resided in the society's museum in West Paris for many years.

The society recently transferred them to the Ski Museum of Maine on long-term loan.

The Ski Museum, located in Kingfield, will display them among its collection of historic ski gear.

The presentation was made by Dale Piirainen, president of the Society, and members of his group. Accepting for the Ski Museum were execu-

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DOG PARK UPDATE

To the Editor:

The letter in the Nov. 21 Citizen alerted me to the fact that, while the Bethel Dog Park Committee has met with the leaders of the Snow Twisters and Greenstock Snowmobile Clubs and solicited design suggestions from them, there are many club members and other residents and visitors who wonder what plans are in the works. Thank you for this opportunity to explain just what the proposed dog park is all about.

After discussions at two annual forums held by the Bethel Area Nonprofits Collaborative at which the idea of a dog park came up, and at the prodding of local dog owners, a group came together early last spring to discuss the possibility of creating such a park in Bethel.

A committee of interested citizens approached the Bethel Selectboard and received permission to do a feasibility study of locations on town property where such a park might be located. The committee settled on an acre of land on the Bethel Pathway property with the approval of the town manager and selectmen. The understanding was that any proposal would follow the model of Davis Park and the Skate Park in that permissions would need to be given by the Bethel Planning Board and Central Maine Power, which owns an easement on the proposed site, and that it would need to be constructed with no cost to Bethel taxpayers.

To date, the committee has received permission from CMP to place five-foot fencing across its right of way with the understanding that 12 foot wide gates must be provided to allow company vehicles to access the lines and poles in the area.

The committee has met with the snowmobile club leaders who have expressed the need for an alteration to the trail leading across the CMP land to assure that trail users can access the businesses on Route 2 in that area as well as the trails leading south and west. They also impressed upon the committee that any alteration must provide room to easily turn the clubs' grooming vehicle, which is 40 feet long with its attachments, around the fenced park. They were given assurances that this accommodation would be made and that the altered trail would be filled and graded to insure that it would be safe and dry. As the committee has progressed in its work it has provided survey and design plans to club representatives.

The committee is now preparing an application to the Bethel Planning Board to allow the proposed park as an amendment to the Bethel Pathway Plan. The date and time of the planning board meeting will be announced by the town planner and the public will be invited to attend.

When the plan is finally accepted the selectmen will form a town committee to oversee construction and operation of the park. That committee will be responsible for the enforcement of the rules required by the planning board calling upon all dog owners to properly dispose of waste in containers provided, to insure that all dogs brought to the park are properly licensed and vaccinated, and to insure that any dog displaying aggressiveness is immediately leashed and removed from the park.

Many for whom the idea of dog parks is a new concept have asked why, with all the private forestland in the Bethel area, a park is needed at all. Of course, any private land used for recreation is available strictly through the generosity of the landowner. More than that, however, is the opportunity for socialization of dogs and dog owners that is possible in a safe facility where dogs are able to be free to play together and their owners have the opportunity to gather with others who enjoy celebrating that freedom as much as they do.

The committee welcomes the opportunity to discuss any concerns that anyone has as we continue to work to make the Bethel Dog Park a reality.

Steve Wight
Newry

CULTURAL EXHIBITS

To the Editor:

I invite members of the public to my rent in Bethel House to see the many cultural exhibits I have during the Christmas season. I can discuss art, literature, music, religion, architecture, history, genealogy, and antiques with them as well as famous people I have met.

In the spirit of the season I have it decorated with a manger scene, a large ceramic church, and even some mistletoe.

Come to 5 Main Street Apartment A-9, off the back parking lot.

Larry Billings
Bethel

FIRE AUXILIARY THANKS

To the Editor:

They say Thanksgiving Day is all about giving and saying "thanks." WE, the Greenwood Fire Auxiliary, would like to give a BIG thank you to Barbara Dunham of Greenwood, Maine. Barbara was the winner of our huge Thanksgiving Basket Raffle, and we called her immediately to notify her. In speaking with our Chief, Al Curtis Jr., last night, she asked that we give the basket to a needy family in Greenwood. The Chief said he would take care of it and is meeting with our Town Manager today, Tuesday, to follow Barbara's wishes.

Thank you Barbara from the bottom of our hearts to be so compassionate during this holiday season!

And thank you to all that purchased raffle tickets this year!

Missy Wakefield

Greenwood Fire Auxiliary member and firefighter

PLENTY TO DO THIS WEEKEND

To the Editor:

There are many great "happenings" this weekend - some being older Bethel traditions and some relatively new! Lots for folks to do and enjoy - highlighting what makes living and visiting the Bethel area at the holidays unique! Please remember to Shop Local this holiday season - the area merchants not only provide jobs to local people but money spent in their businesses is recirculated into our local economy - a win, win for everyone!

This is an especially busy weekend for the Bethel Rotary Club! Saturday, they are hosting what is becoming a new tradition - the Annual Jingle Bell Run. Anyone who would like to participate is invited to meet at the Key Bank on Main Street between 3:30-3:45 p.m. to receive their bell(s) and tie them to shoelaces, mittens or zippers. The group will then, accompanied by a deputy from the Oxford County Sheriff's Department, jog/walk up to the Bethel Common together to be greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Santa. After having time to visit and distribute candy canes for a few minutes, Santa will light the trees on the Common for the coming holiday season.

Other events not to be missed this Saturday are the Greens Sale, Crafts, Cookie Walk, Food, 9:30-11:30 a.m., West Bethel Union Church; the Annual Christmas Tea and Fair, 1-4 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church - with a traditional tea, crafts, cookie walk, and more; free wagon rides through historic Bethel village, 1-3 p.m., sponsored by Doug Zinchuk Roofing; Christmas at the Mason House; and the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting at Bethel United Methodist Church, 6 p.m., Main Street.

All are invited to Rotary's Country Breakfast at Gould Academy's Dining Hall on Sunday, Dec. 2, from 7:30 to 11 a.m. - All you can eat for \$8 per person. And join the fun at Santa Sunday at Sunday River Resort - to benefit the Rotary Club's Christmas for Children effort!

Robin Zinchuk

Chamber Director and Bethel Rotarian

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. Letters should be limited to 300 words, but that limit will be waived when the situation warrants.

In situations where the letter writer has a political, economic, familial or other relationship that could be perceived as bearing on the topic addressed in the letter, we strongly suggest the writer make that relationship known in the text of the letter or after their signature.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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Celladore

'How do you like the climate?'

Inside we stoke the furnace, have an early dinner, and settle back to read for the first time Sam Peppy's Diary. We find it hilariously funny as well as informative. There is a special kind of magic about the first winter night. The beasts are snug in the barn with all the big doors closed. The house is toasty and gentle with lamplight. We are inside with no plans of going out again. For a few hours the world with its problems and cares is forgotten. The cold makes a protective barrier that for this one evening no ill can pass through. Petty cares and irritations slip away. The spirit is in a void, no self-questioning or doubts. We forget that winter will come to seem endless, that barn chores in the cold will be burdensome, that we will be weary unto death of spending so much time indoors, that more tedious than a smoky house will be the eternal dragging on of wool socks, boots, coats, mittens before stepping outside. For one enchanted evening there is only peace and joy.

Next morning the ground is white and we have a sausage and hot muffin breakfast, watching the flakes come down. I go to the shed attic and bring down the braided rugs. They are much in vogue now for all houses. One can buy machine-made ones or one can go to the mills, buy new woolen remnants, cut each strip an exact width, plan a complicated color scheme, butt the end of each row and turn out a craftsman's product. Real country braided rugs are different. They are not made to grace a living room or to display technique and skill; rather, they are for purely practical purposes. Such are ours.

One goes before the black stove for warmth for the feet on a cold, cold morning when one draws up a rocking chair and eats breakfast before the open oven door. One goes before the shed door so that no one needs to stand outside in the cold, brushing snow off boots, but can come in quickly, shut the door against the cold, de-snow inside. The rug absorbs the moisture; large chunks of snow are tossed into the kitchen sink to melt. They are made from scraps of wool left over from sewing projects, from the unworn parts of castoff clothing, old woolen pants, coats, skirts. The different weights of material and sometimes a narrow, sometimes a wide braid. The color scheme cannot be planned, but they come out with a kind of helter-skelter gaiety and life that perfect rugs lack. It is also fun to make them. Friends will augment your own supply of old clothing once they know that you braid. On a brisk fall day you dump all the collected supply by the doorsteps, cut out the good pieces to be stitched together and rolled in balls on some rainy day, take all the ragged and worn debris and burn it in the furnace. There is a great satisfaction in knowing that you have made something out of nothing, that no waste is allowed, even the ashes will be potash for the land. Our rugs are bright this first winter morning. All during the winter I will toss them out on the snowbanks to clean them.

I go to the shed and take down my L.L. Bean boots from the high peg, go to put the horses out. Shilo and four-month-old Melissa have never seen snow. Shilo sniffs and paws at it, seems not to like it. Melissa stops at the door in wonder, jumps over the step, lands in snow, jumps again, still in snow, shakes a foot, then trots off after her mother, ignoring it. Back inside, what next? This is not a day for routine, mundane work. Some special task must be done to mark the line between autumn and winter. Should I start the Christmas letters, get out cloth and cut out a new pair of slacks or a dress, pick over the desk drawers, make several batches of cookies to send the elderly ones, or what? I decide this year to tackle the procrastination piles of papers in the study.

All summer and fall the magazines have been accumulating. They are piled up behind the chairs, overflowing the table tops and under them, stuffed crossways between the book shelves. Today the rule is once anything has been picked up, it is not to be put down again; either do what is indicated or to the fire with it. An article to be clipped and sent to a friend...a political questionnaire to fill out...special fall bulb offers to buy or not...book reviews marked to either buy now, file or throw away...articles to be read now or never...some issues of the "Saturday Review" or the "American Scholar" not read at all. Here one can cheat a bit and poke to the bottom of the pile...on and on. I plug away diligently. Off for a tramp in the woods, our trail around hemlock corner like a cathedral. My spirit refreshed, back to work. I find some things I wonder why I ever saved in the first place. At early dusk the floor at least is clear and B.B. come in with the mail and more reading matter. A subscription is due. I go to the desk and write the check immediately. No need to ever let the study get to such a state again but...after dinner ignore the mail and back to intriguing Sam Pepys. Another day is coming, the magic is gone until another year passes, the reading matter will accumulate always, we will be forever tempted by more things to read than we have time for.

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Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: The Local Wares Fair was held at the Bethel Inn Conference Center.

Tom and Marcey White purchased the former Douglass Place B&B, and planned to operate it as the Prodigal Inn, and establish an art gallery there.

Births: Dawson Stephen Bond, Osman Elhajar Palmer-Karos.

Deaths: Kathleen T. Murphy, Joseph Y. Arsenault.

20 years ago: The first snow storm of the season hit the day before Thanksgiving giving SAD 44 students and staff 5-day weekend.

Sixty deer and 22 bear were tagged in Andover during hunting season.

Deaths: Gladys L. Grant, Hazel Hanscom Newell.

30 years ago: Harlan Abbott of West Paris was in stable condition following an explosion at Stowell Wood Products Company, Bryant Pond.

Former Bethel resident Frank Flint was honored for his 13 years of service as organist-choirmaster of the First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield, Conn.

Birth: Joshua James Young.

Deaths: Mabel M. Stanley, Wilbur L. Chamberlain, John H. Hall, Sr.

40 years ago: Recent paintings by Douglas Bane were on display at the Bethel Library.

For the second year in a row Telstar's physics program, under the direction of Tim Kersey and Jim Fiske, placed among the top 10 high school programs in the United States.

Deaths: Albert R. Nelson, Doren E. Meisner, Horace J. Morse, James D. Billings, Stephen Matthew Annis, Robert L. Bennett.

50 years ago: The Bethel Jaycees, with a crew from Central Maine Power, Co. installed the Christmas street lights.

Thirty-one young people attended a record hop put on by the Youth Group at the West Bethel Grange Hall.

Birth: Linda Lee York. Deaths: Darie Corriveau, Miss Ada L. Bean, George F. Day.

60 years ago: The 50th anniversary of the founding of Upton Grange No. 104 was observed by an all-day meeting.

Ronald Kendall and Eldon Greenleaf reported for induction in the Armed Forces on Nov. 24.

Deaths: James A. Norton, Charles P. Deegan, Maurice Churchill.

70 years ago: Fire damaged the office at Bennett's Garage.

A large bull moose was frequently seen in the vicinity of Norway Center.

80 years ago: Hanover Ferry was reported to have traveled 624 miles back and forth across the river from April 20 to Nov. 26.

Dr. R. R. Tibbetts went to Boston where he did clinical work at the New England Medical Center for two months.

Deaths: Nelson Turner, Allie Marshall.

90 years ago: Odeon Hall was the scene of a gay Thanksgiving ball. Ice cream and cake were served by the Universalist Society at intermission.

Gard Twaddle, Maine Medical School spent the Thanksgiving recess at his home in Bethel.

Death: Eli Leland Bartlett.

100 years ago: Miss Cleo Russell was teaching the winter school in Gilead.

There was ice skating on Thanksgiving day. Aziscoos Grange, Wilson's Mills, was organized, with twenty charter members.

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sion GPS instrument procedure, an improvement on the current practice of using visual flight rules.

Establishing the GPS system would make the airport more accessible during poorer visibility and would make the airport more attractive to corporate turboprop and business jet users, according to the plan. The system is expected to go into effect next year.

Numbers provided in the plan show that in 2009, there were a total of 4,520 "operations" (landings and takeoffs) at the airport. Operations for 2014, with instrument approaches in place, are projected at 6,500, with 122 instrument approaches.

Other components of both the short- and longer-term plan would support the new GPS landing procedure. They include removing tree obstructions and adding more safety lights both at the airport and on other nearby obstructions.

An example of new safety lights is the possible installation of four red beacon hazard lights on the smaller hills toward the Bingham land/Sunday River end of the runway.

Other future projects may include acquiring additional land or easements around the airport, relocating taxiways, building new hangars, establishing a helicopter landing area

and installing a new fuel tank.

More on GPS

Tony Milligan, airport coordinator/assistant manager at the Bethel Airport, was asked to elaborate on the advantages of a GPS approach system.

"A non-precision GPS approach is an instrument procedure that is designed to enhance safety for arriving and departing aircraft, particularly for nighttime and restricted visibility operations as well as for those pilots that are not that familiar with the terrain in the area," he said.

"Presently weather conditions must be good enough to allow a pilot to approach visually (away from clouds, fog and limiting precipitation) from their cruising altitude all the way down to the runway to land safely and legally. Nighttime operations can be equally hazardous as well, because of the unlit mountainous terrain surrounding the airport and lack of adequate lighting and other navigational aids on field.

"As such only local pilots with an exceptionally solid awareness of surrounding terrain and obstacle features will attempt night-time operations at Bethel.

"Many pilots during the winter months will try to rush back to the airport from a day of skiing and

try to get out before it gets too dark to avoid the extra risk of night-time flying. A GPS approach or any instrument approach will be huge in enhancing safety for arrivals and departures.

"With an approach procedure specifically designed for the Bethel Airport by the FAA, which comes with enhanced runway and obstacle lighting and obstacle removal, pilots for the first time will have established courses and altitudes for different types of aircraft to safely fly when landing or departing Bethel.

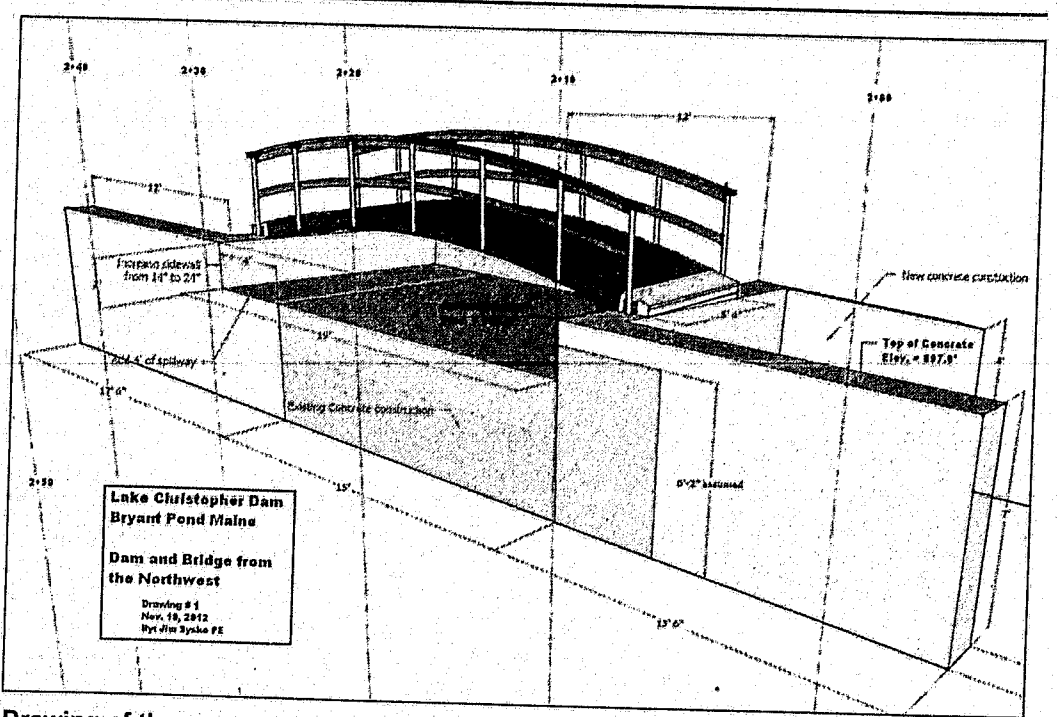
"This instrument procedure will permit pilots to descend to a much lower altitude while in the clouds or otherwise limiting visibility before proceeding visually to the runway than presently allowed by air traffic control.

"It will also serve as a departure procedure for visually-trained pilots operating at nighttime to safely navigate them to an altitude away from terrain and on to their destination.

Bethel Regional Airport is one of the last remaining airports in the region of its size to finally be getting an instrument approach. It is long, long overdue. Bethel will now go from being "open" during good weather days, to being "open" all the time."

Dam

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Drawing of the proposed dam and bridge project by Jim Sysko.

The bridge would serve a purpose other than just aesthetics. In order to prevent roots from dead trees from causing instability in the ground around the dam, some existing trees would be removed and grass planted and mowed. To access the side of the dam away from the nearby public parking lot for mowing would require either a bridge or permission to use the abutter's driveway.

Larry Risko, a relative of the abutter, attended the board meeting. He said he was not enthusiastic about the bridge. "It invites folks

over on to our side," he said.

But Sysko said the bridge could be gated off and only used for mower access.

Risko said he would be receptive to that idea. He said he would like to see the dam repaired.

Sysko also said he would recommend the removal of stands of cattails that have grown up on either side of the dam over the past 15 years, with permission from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. He said removal would bring back two swimming/wading areas for local residents.

He also suggested keeping as many trees near the dam as possible, for aesthetic reasons.

With landscaping around the structure, said Selectman Ron Deegan, "It would look nice even without trees."

Sysko asked the board to consider the bridge over the next couple of weeks and then give him their input, so he can finalize the plans by early January.

Selectmen hope to put out bid requests to contractors and have a construction cost ready by the annual town meeting in March.

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by stopping. Nice compact terminal office with all the required facilities.

"Was delayed here on our cross country flight in a very slow plane and was happy to find coffee, a warm building and Internet. Thanks! The only thing missing was a car to look at the area and drive to the local restaurants."

"What a fabulous general aviation facility that allows day trips (or longer) to the Bethel ski region! Many thanks to the town for its forethought in putting together this package

for us, which has brought me back 2x this year for skiing when I otherwise would not have traveled there."

Airport Coordinator/Assistant Manager Tony Milligan said significant effort has gone into making the airport more attractive to pilots.

"We have worked hard in recent years to make the Bethel Regional Airport a place to be proud of," he said. "We offer aggressively priced aviation fuel as an attractive motivation to draw people

in to the airport. We also provide a clean, friendly welcoming atmosphere to demonstrate what the Bethel area is all about.

"Because of these proactive steps, we have seen

a substantial increase in the use of our airport and in fuel sales. That often brings people to the area for the first time.

"Many have told us that they have flown in to buy

fuel and have taken the time to enjoy the shopping, dining lodging and entertainment that Bethel has to offer.

"Although many of our customers are repeat cus-

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Letters

DOG PARK UPDATE

To the Editor:

The letter in the Nov. 21 Citizen alerted me to the fact that, while the Bethel Dog Park Committee has met with the leaders of the Snow Twisters and Greenstock Snowmobile Clubs and solicited design suggestions from them, there are many club members and other residents and visitors who wonder what plans are in the works. Thank you for this opportunity to explain just what the proposed dog park is all about.

After discussions at two annual forums held by the Bethel Area Nonprofits Collaborative at which the idea of a dog park came up, and at the prodding of local dog owners, a group came together early last spring to discuss the possibility of creating such a park in Bethel.

A committee of interested citizens approached the Bethel Selectboard and received permission to do a feasibility study of locations on town property where such a park might be located. The committee settled on an acre of land on the Bethel Pathway property with the approval of the town manager and selectmen. The understanding was that any proposal would follow the model of Davis Park and the Skate Park in that permissions would need to be given by the Bethel Planning Board and Central Maine Power, which owns an easement on the proposed site, and that it would need to be constructed with no cost to Bethel taxpayers.

To date, the committee has received permission from CMP to place five-foot fencing across its right of way with the understanding that 12 foot wide gates must be provided to allow company vehicles to access the lines and poles in the area.

The committee has met with the snowmobile club leaders who have expressed the need for an alteration to the trail leading across the CMP land to assure that trail users can access the businesses on Route 2 in that area as well as the trails leading south and west. They also impressed upon the committee that any alteration must provide room to easily turn the clubs' grooming vehicle, which is 40 feet long with its attachments, around the fenced park. They were given assurances that this accommodation would be made and that the altered trail would be filled and graded to insure that it would be safe and dry. As the committee has progressed in its work it has provided survey and design plans to club representatives.

The committee is now preparing an application to the Bethel Planning Board to allow the proposed park as an amendment to the Bethel Pathway Plan. The date and time of the planning board meeting will be announced by the town planner and the public will be invited to attend.

When the plan is finally accepted the selectmen will form a town committee to oversee construction and operation of the park. That committee will be responsible for the enforcement of the rules required by the planning board calling upon all dog owners to properly dispose of waste in containers provided, to insure that all dogs brought to the park are properly licensed and vaccinated, and to insure that any dog displaying aggressiveness is immediately leashed and removed from the park.

Many for whom the idea of dog parks is a new concept have asked why, with all the private forestland in the Bethel area, a park is needed at all. Of course, any private land used for recreation is available strictly through the generosity of the landowner. More than that, however, is the opportunity for socialization of dogs and dog owners that is possible in a safe facility where dogs are able to be free to play together and their owners have the opportunity to gather with others who enjoy celebrating that freedom as much as they do.

The committee welcomes the opportunity to discuss any concerns that anyone has as we continue to work to make the Bethel Dog Park a reality.

Steve Wight
Newry

CULTURAL EXHIBITS

To the Editor:

I invite members of the public to my rent in Bethel House to see the many cultural exhibits I have during the Christmas season. I can discuss art, literature, music, religion, architecture, history, genealogy, and antiques with them as well as famous people I have met.

In the spirit of the season I have it decorated with a manger scene, a large ceramic church, and even some mistletoe.

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Larry Billings
Bethel

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FIRE AUXILIARY THANKS

To the Editor:

They say Thanksgiving Day is all about giving and saying "thanks." WE, the Greenwood Fire Auxiliary, would like to give a BIG thank you to Barbara Dunham of Greenwood, Maine. Barbara was the winner of our huge Thanksgiving Basket Raffle, and we called her immediately to notify her. In speaking with our Chief, Al Curtis Jr., last night, she asked that we give the basket to a needy family in Greenwood. The Chief said he would take care of it and is meeting with our Town Manager today, Tuesday, to follow Barbara's wishes.

Thank you Barbara from the bottom of our hearts to be so compassionate during this holiday season!

And thank you to all that purchased raffle tickets this year!

Missy Wakefield
Greenwood Fire Auxiliary member and firefighter

PLENTY TO DO THIS WEEKEND

To the Editor:

There are many great "happenings" this weekend - some being older Bethel traditions and some relatively new! Lots for folks to do and enjoy - highlighting what makes living and visiting the Bethel area at the holidays unique! Please remember to Shop Local this holiday season - the area merchants not only provide jobs to local people but money spent in their businesses is recirculated into our local economy - a win, win for everyone!

This is an especially busy weekend for the Bethel Rotary Club! Saturday, they are hosting what is becoming a new tradition - the Annual Jingle Bell Run. Anyone who would like to participate is invited to meet at the Key Bank on Main Street between 3:30-3:45 p.m. to receive their bell(s) and tie them to shoelaces, mittens or zippers. The group will then, accompanied by a deputy from the Oxford County Sheriff's Department, jog/walk up to the Bethel Common together to be greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Santa. After having time to visit and distribute candy canes for a few minutes, Santa will light the trees on the Common for the coming holiday season.

Other events not to be missed this Saturday are the Greens Sale, Crafts, Cookie Walk, Food, 9:30-11:30 a.m., West Bethel Union Church; the Annual Christmas Tea and Fair, 1-4 p.m., West Parish Congregational Church - with a traditional tea, crafts, cookie walk, and more; free wagon rides through historic Bethel village, 1-3 p.m., sponsored by Doug Zinchuk Roofing; Christmas at the Mason House; and the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting at Bethel United Methodist Church, 6 p.m., Main Street.

All are invited to Rotary's Country Breakfast at Gould Academy's Dining Hall on Sunday, Dec. 2, from 7:30 to 11 a.m. - All you can eat for \$8 per person. And join the fun at Santa Sunday at Sunday River Resort - to benefit the Rotary Club's Christmas for Children effort!

Robin Zinchuk
Chamber Director and Bethel Rotarian

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

Insofar as possible, we attempt to publish letters without alteration, but we do reserve the right to edit for length, libel, taste and readability. Letters should be limited to 300 words, but that limit will be waived when the situation warrants.

In situations where the letter writer has a political, economic, familial or other relationship that could be perceived as bearing on the topic addressed in the letter, we strongly suggest the writer make that relationship known in the text of the letter or after their signature.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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Celladore

'How do you like the climate?'

Inside we stoke the furnace, have an early dinner, and settle back to read for the first time Sam Pepy's Diary. We find it hilariously funny as well as informative. There is a special kind of magic about the first winter night. The beasts are snug in the barn with all the big doors closed. The house is toasty and gentle with lamplight. We are inside with no plans of going out again. For a few hours the world with its problems and cares is forgotten. The cold makes a protective barrier that for this one evening no ill can pass through. Petty cares and irritations slip away. The spirit is in a void, no self-questioning or doubts. We forget that winter will come to seem endless, that barn chores in the cold will be burdensome, that we will be weary unto death of spending so much time indoors, that more tedious than a smoky house will be the eternal dragging on of wool socks, boots, coats, mittens before stepping outside. For one enchanted evening there is only peace and joy.

Next morning the ground is white and we have a sausage and hot muffin breakfast, watching the flakes come down. I go to the shed attic and bring down the braided rugs. They are much in vogue now for all houses. One can buy machine-made ones or one can go to the mills, buy new woolen remnants, cut each strip an exact width, plan a complicated color scheme, butt the end of each row and turn out a craftsman's product. Real country braided rugs are different. They are not made to grace a living room or to display technique and skill; rather, they are for purely practical purposes. Such are ours.

One goes before the black stove for warmth for the feet on a cold, cold morning when one draws up a rocking chair and eats breakfast before the open oven door. One goes before the shed door so that no one needs to stand outside in the cold, brushing snow off boots, but can come in quickly, shut the door against the cold, de-snow inside. The rug absorbs the moisture; large chunks of snow are tossed into the kitchen sink to melt. They are made from scraps of wool left over from sewing projects, from the unworn parts of castoff clothing, old woolen pants, coats, skirts. The different weights of material and sometimes a narrow, sometimes a wide braid. The color scheme cannot be planned, but they come out with a kind of helter-skelter gaiety and life that perfect rugs lack. It is also fun to make them. Friends will augment your own supply of old clothing once they know that you braid. On a brisk fall day you dump all the collected supply by the doorsteps, cut out the good pieces to be stitched together and rolled in balls on some rainy day, take all the ragged and worn debris and burn it in the furnace. There is a great satisfaction in knowing that you have made something out of nothing, that no waste is allowed, even the ashes will be potash for the land. Our rugs are bright this first winter morning. All during the winter I will toss them out on the snowbanks to clean them.

I go to the shed and take down my L.L. Bean boots from the high peg, go to put the horses out. Shilo and four-month-old Melissa have never seen snow. Shilo sniffs and paws at it, seems not to like it. Melissa stops at the door in wonder, jumps over the step, lands in snow, jumps again, still in snow, shakes a foot, then trots off after her mother, ignoring it. Back inside, what next? This is not a day for routine, mundane work. Some special task must be done to mark the line between autumn and winter. Should I start the Christmas letters, get out cloth and cut out a new pair of slacks or a dress, pick over the desk drawers, make several batches of cookies to send the elderly ones, or what? I decide this year to tackle the procrastination piles of papers in the study.

All summer and fall the magazines have been accumulating. They are piled up behind the chairs, overflowing the table tops and under them, stuffed crossways between the book shelves. Today the rule is once anything has been picked up, it is not to be put down again; either do what is indicated or to the fire with it. An article to be clipped and sent to a friend...a political questionnaire to fill out...special fall bulb offers to buy or not...book reviews marked to either buy now, file or throw away...articles to be read now or never...some issues of the "Saturday Review" or the "American Scholar" not read at all. Here one can cheat a bit and poke to the bottom of the pile...on and on. I plug away diligently. Off for a tramp in the woods, our trail around hemlock corner like a cathedral. My spirit refreshed, back to work. I find some things I wonder why I ever saved in the first place. At early dusk the floor at least is clear and B.B. come in with the mail and more reading matter. A subscription is due. I go to the desk and write the check immediately. No need to ever let the study get to such a state again but...after dinner ignore the mail and back to intriguing Sam Pepy's. Another day is coming, the magic is gone until another year passes, the reading matter will accumulate always, we will be forever tempted by more things to read than we have time for.

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Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: The Local Wares Fair was held at the Bethel Inn Conference Center.

Tom and Marcey White purchased the former Douglass Place B&B, and planned to operate it as the Prodigal Inn, and establish an art gallery there.

Births: Dawson Stephen Bond, Osman Eljar Palmer-Karos.

Deaths: Kathleen T. Murphy, Joseph Y. Arsenault.

20 years ago: The first snow storm of the season hit the day before Thanksgiving giving SAD 44 students and staff 5-day weekend.

Sixty deer and 22 bear were tagged in Andover during hunting season.

Deaths: Gladys L. Grant, Hazel Hanscom Newell.

30 years ago: Harlan Abbott of West Paris was in stable condition following an explosion at Stowell Wood Products Company, Bryant Pond.

Former Bethel resident Frank Flint was honored for his 13 years of service as organist-choirmaster of the First Presbyterian Church of Fairfield, Conn.

Birth: Joshua James Young.

Deaths: Mabel M. Stanley, Wilbur L. Chamberlain, John H. Hall, Sr.

40 years ago: Recent paintings by Douglas Bane were on display at the Bethel Library.

For the second year in a row Telstar's physics program, under the direction of Tim Kersey and Jim Fiske, placed among the top 10 high school programs in the United States.

Deaths: Albert R. Nelson, Doren E. Meisner, Horace J. Morse, James D. Billings, Stephen Matthew Annis, Robert L. Bennett.

50 years ago: The Bethel Jaycees, with a crew from Central Maine Power, Co. installed the Christmas street lights.

Thirty-one young people attended a record hop put on by the Youth Group at the West Bethel Grange Hall.

Birth: Linda Lee York.

Deaths: Darie Corriveau, Miss Ada L. Bean, George F. Day.

60 years ago: The 50th anniversary of the founding of Upton Grange No. 104 was observed by an all-day meeting.

Ronald Kendall and Eldon Greenleaf reported for induction in the Armed Forces on Nov. 24.

Deaths: James A. Norton, Charles P. Deegan, Maurice Churchill.

70 years ago: Fire damaged the office at Bennett's Garage.

A large bull moose was frequently seen in the vicinity of Norway Center.

80 years ago: Hanover Ferry was reported to have traveled 624 miles back and forth across the river from April 20 to Nov. 26.

Dr. R. R. Tibbetts went to Boston where he did clinical work at the New England Medical Center for two months.

Deaths: Nelson Turner, Allie Marshall.

90 years ago: Odeon Hall was the scene of a gay Thanksgiving ball. Ice cream and cake were served by the Universalist Society at intermission.

Gard Twaddle, Maine Medical School spent the Thanksgiving recess at his home in Bethel.

Death: Eli Leland Bartlett.

100 years ago: Miss Cleo Russell was teaching the winter school in Gilead.

There was ice skating on Thanksgiving day.

Aziscoos Grange, Wilson's Mills, was organized, with twenty charter members.

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Airport

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sion GPS instrument procedure, an improvement on the current practice of using visual flight rules.

Establishing the GPS system would make the airport more accessible during poorer visibility and would make the airport more attractive to corporate turboprop and business jet users, according to the plan. The system is expected to go into effect next year.

Numbers provided in the plan show that in 2009, there were a total of 4,520 "operations" (landings and takeoffs) at the airport. Operations for 2014, with instrument approaches in place, are projected at 6,500, with 122 instrument approaches.

Other components of both the short- and longer-term plan would support the new GPS landing procedure. They include removing tree obstructions and adding more safety lights both at the airport and on other nearby obstructions.

An example of new safety lights is the possible installation of four red beacon hazard lights on the smaller hills toward the Bingham land/Sunday River end of the runway.

Other future projects may include acquiring additional land or easements around the airport, relocating taxiways, building new hangars, establishing a helicopter landing area

and installing a new fuel tank.

More on GPS

Tony Milligan, airport coordinator/assistant manager at the Bethel Airport, was asked to elaborate on the advantages of a GPS approach system.

"A non-precision GPS approach is an instrument procedure that is designed to enhance safety for arriving and departing aircraft, particularly for nighttime and restricted visibility operations as well as for those pilots that are not that familiar with the terrain in the area," he said.

"Presently weather conditions must be good enough to allow a pilot to approach visually (away from clouds, fog and limiting precipitation) from their cruising altitude all the way down to the runway to land safely and legally. Nighttime operations can be equally hazardous as well, because of the unlit mountainous terrain surrounding the airport and lack of adequate lighting and other navigational aids on field.

"As such only local pilots with an exceptionally solid awareness of surrounding terrain and obstacle features will attempt night-time operations at Bethel.

"Many pilots during the winter months will try to rush back to the airport from a day of skiing and

try to get out before it gets too dark to avoid the extra risk of night-time flying. A GPS approach or any instrument approach will be huge in enhancing safety for arrivals and departures.

"With an approach procedure specifically designed for the Bethel Airport by the FAA, which comes with enhanced runway and obstacle lighting and obstacle removal, pilots for the first time will have established courses and altitudes for different types of aircraft to safely fly when landing or departing Bethel.

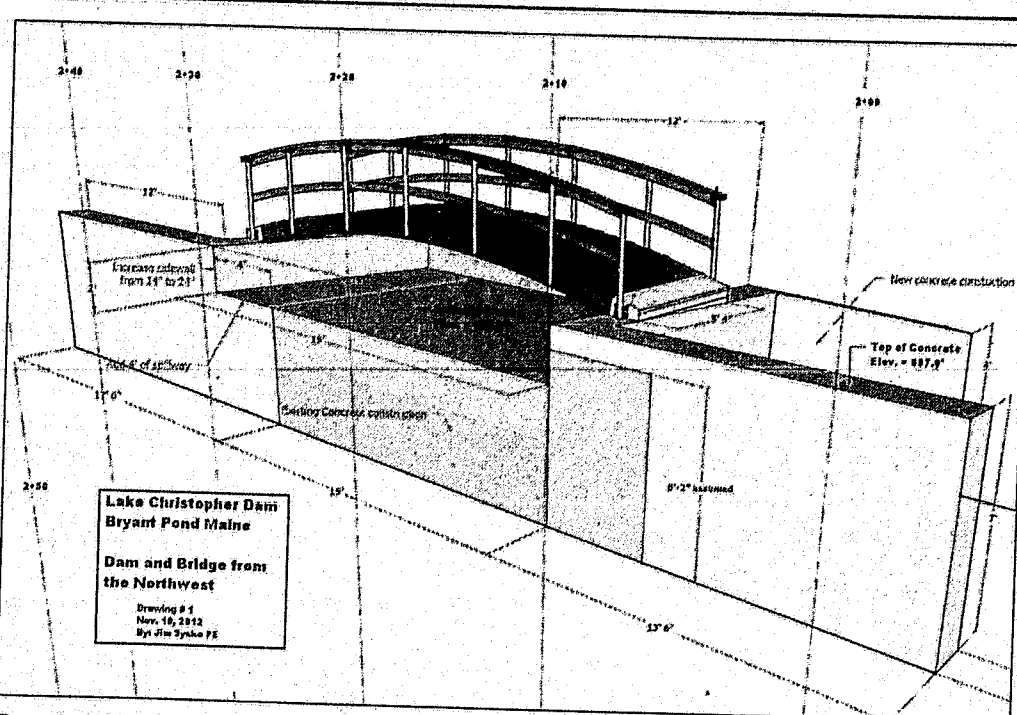
"This instrument procedure will permit pilots to descend to a much lower altitude while in the clouds or otherwise limiting visibility before proceeding visually to the runway than presently allowed by air traffic control.

"It will also serve as a departure procedure for visually-trained pilots operating at nighttime to safely navigate them to an altitude away from terrain and on to their destination.

Bethel Regional Airport is one of the last remaining airports in the region of its size to finally be getting an instrument approach. It is long, long overdue. Bethel will now go from being "open" during good weather days, to being "open" all the time."

Dam

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Drawing of the proposed dam and bridge project by Jim Sysko.

The bridge would serve a purpose other than just aesthetics. In order to prevent roots from dead trees from causing instability in the ground around the dam, some existing trees would be removed and grass planted and mowed. To access the side of the dam away from the nearby public parking lot for mowing would require either a bridge or permission to use the abutter's driveway.

Larry Risko, a relative of the abutter, attended the board meeting. He said he was not enthusiastic about the bridge. "It invites folks

over on to our side," he said.

But Sysko said the bridge could be gated off and only used for mower access.

Risko said he would be receptive to that idea. He said he would like to see the dam repaired.

Sysko also said he would recommend the removal of stands of cattails that have grown up on either side of the dam over the past 15 years, with permission from the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. He said removal would bring back two swimming/wading areas for local residents.

He also suggested keeping as many trees near the dam as possible, for aesthetic reasons.

With landscaping around the structure, said Selectman Ron Deegan, "It would look nice even without trees."

Sysko asked the board to consider the bridge over the next couple of weeks and then give him their input, so he can finalize the plans by early January.

Selectmen hope to put out bid requests to contractors and have a construction cost ready by the annual town meeting in March.

Log

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by stopping. Nice compact terminal office with all the required facilities.

"Was delayed here on our cross country flight in a very slow plane and was happy to find coffee, a warm building and Internet. Thanks! The only thing missing was a car to look at the area and drive to the local restaurants."

"What a fabulous general aviation facility that allows day trips (or longer) to the Bethel ski region! Many thanks to the town for its forethought in putting together this package

for us, which has brought me back 2x this year for skiing when I otherwise would not have traveled there."

Airport Coordinator/Assistant Manager Tony Milligan said significant effort has gone into making the airport more attractive to pilots.

"We have worked hard in recent years to make the Bethel Regional Airport a place to be proud of," he said. "We offer aggressively priced aviation fuel as an attractive motivation to draw people

in to the airport. We also provide a clean, friendly welcoming atmosphere to demonstrate what the Bethel area is all about.

"Because of these proactive steps, we have seen

a substantial increase in the use of our airport and in fuel sales. That often brings people to the area for the first time.

"Many have told us that they have flown in to buy

fuel and have taken the time to enjoy the shopping, dining lodging and entertainment that Bethel has to offer.

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state level, that have filtered down here. I'm still not sure quite what you want from the town other than funding."

"No," replied Zinchuk. "It's having a dialogue with somebody from the selectboard so that you can understand what kinds of hopes and aspirations we have as an organization to serve the people of the Bethel area ... We want to bring people who want to open businesses. We want to make sure that the people who live here have work. That's what a Chamber of Commerce is all about."

"It goes to show that what you might perceive the chamber is about, and I'm about personally, and what we actually do ... there'd be a better intersection of those things if you had a more regular dialogue with us rather than sitting, assuming that we are about certain things, or I'm about certain things. I'm about the economic health of the area, that's what Robin Zinchuk thinks about every day."

Selectman Chair Wendy Hanscom said that regarding participation on the board, "the biggest issue is we have limited resources here, people. So we have to be careful how we invest our time ... It's where we want to invest the four

of us [the selectmen and Town Administrator Loretta Powers].

Zinchuk then asked for suggestions for the best way to encourage better understanding and dialogue. "What are you comfortable with?" she asked.

"What I'd be comfortable with - keeping the town government separate from the Chamber of Commerce," said Morton. "If you have any issues with the town or questions for the town, you're welcome to come any time ... If there are any specific projects you feel the town should get involved with you can approach us then. It would help if you were a little bit clearer in the presentations you give to the community. The strategic plan was kind of confusing to me, it seemed like it jumped around. If you have any clear plans, that's what I can react to. I can't react to something that's written like this."

Zinchuk said an executive summary at the beginning of the plan "encapsulates" what the plan is about.

"I read it," replied Morton. "I don't think the town should belong to the Chamber, bottom line."

"Only so much room" Selectmen Gary Wright offered his perspective.

"I think you already

have businesses in town, like the Skiway, most of the restaurants - they probably belong to the Chamber ... People on that side ... that's where the businesses are. On this side, people are just more laid back. They want to keep it that way. Whether or not they want more businesses on that side, I can't answer that. You say you want to bring more people in - there's only so much room to keep bringing people and businesses. A lot of people bought the land, and that's the way they want to keep it. They don't want to be crowded out. That's my feeling. You've already got members from the town, in a way."

He said that e-mails from Zinchuk to Powers that she can pass along to selectmen "are fine. And maybe once or twice a year get together and rehash things. That would be my opinion."

"I'm good with that," said Zinchuk.

Responding to Morton's concerns, she said the strategic plan had resulted from a long process, and the BACC is just start-

ing to put "meat on the bones. Maybe that's where you find it confusing. You don't really see any forward action as a result of the process. I think it will become clearer as we move forward into 2013."

And, she said, "It's not just about us coming and asking you for stuff. It's to have a dialogue ... It's for you to say Bear River has always been the more quiet side, the more wide open spot. But there are people over on this side who are trying to make a living too, or work at the businesses on the other side, or in Bethel. It's about prosperity. It's not about crowding people out."

Wight looked to the past to explain his feelings.

"We've had so many special places that were just our special places, but now you can't even get to them ... I'm not saying ... It's not all the Chamber. These places get advertised. The more people find out about them, the more word gets passed around."

"I think that might be some of it too, why we're kind of scared to put more

input into stuff. All your childhood places you used to go ... you can't do that anymore without having umpteen million people ... You can't really go and do the things you used to do, or take your grandchildren because a lot of things that happened at some of these places, because of more people."

"I know the Chamber is good and has a lot of good things. It probably does for the snowmobile industry, too, and brings people in. I can see both sides of it. Unfortunately there's a lot of us on this side who kind of want our personal things left the way they are. There's only so much room on the Sunday River side, and eventually it's going to spill over."

Zinchuk acknowledged that the Chamber has brought more people to the area.

But, she said, "Every place has changed. That's life, that's progress. Will some people not like that? I know, it's really a hard balance. We do what our Chamber board and members want us to do. We are trying to do what we do better, to benefit more people."

She concluded, "So we'll get together with you once or twice a year, and chat about it."

"Sounds good," said Hanscom.

Greenwood and Bethel
The next evening, Zinchuk met with Greenwood selectmen. Town Manager Kim Sparks said the selectmen were open to having her serve on the BACC board, pending the process involved to approve members.

She said her selectboard is interested in economic development. "Greenwood is interested in revitalizing its Main Street," she said.

In Bethel Town Manager Jim Doar said Tuesday he had been approached by Zinchuk, and he then talked to the chairman and the vice-chairman of the Bethel Board of Selectmen.

"There isn't much interest in Bethel on having a seat on the Chamber board," he said. "We agree we need to have more conversations about economic development and what role the towns should play, but the Chamber board isn't the appropriate forum for it."

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The Way I See It
by Sharon Bouchard

Since the announcement of Hostess losing their doors thereby causing the demise of Twinkies, the Twinkie addicts have gone crazy. People rushed to supermarkets, convenience stores and Hostess bakery outlets to snatch up every Twinkie in sight. It was a mad dash for the sponge cake delight.

I can understand those who have a hankering for Twinkies wanting to stock up while they still could. I can understand those who put the sweet treat in their children's lunches wanting to stock up on them. I can even understand those who saw the eBay potential wanting to stock up on them. What I don't understand is those who are willing to bid ridiculous amounts of money on eBay to buy them.

I like Twinkies as much as the next junk food fan, but I certainly didn't rush out to buy a bunch when I got the word that they would be no more. It did bring back some memories of summer picnics as a child and Twinkies as a treat after the tuna sandwich, but that's about it.

As an occasional seller on eBay I should have realized that there just might be a demand on the online auction site by Twinkie fanatics, but I missed the boat on that prospect. If I had thought about it at all, which I did not, I would have figured that Twinkie lovers would have bought what was available in the stores and that would be that. Boy, I would have thought wrong!

In the first day or two after the Hostess announcement Twinkies were on eBay going for over \$60 for a box of 10. I was so astonished I just had to check it out. What I found was even more astonishing than \$6+ for a single Twinkie. On the day I looked there were close to 9,000 listings. Some were for a single box of 10 and many were for multiple boxes and some included other Hostess products, but primarily Twinkies.

The Twinkie addicts have gone crazy!

The bidding seemed to be pretty heavy, but what really caught my eye was the auction for a large quantity of Twinkies with a few Ding Dongs and Snowballs included with the asking price of \$21,000,000. Yes, that is the correct amount of zeros. I doubt that there will be any bids, but the very fact that it's there is just plain crazy.

Something else that caught my eye was an auction for a website domain name, The Last Twinkie On Earth. com. The enterprising seller had registered the name and was willing to sell it for the asking price of \$5,000 with the "Make an offer" option. There had been 63 offers made, for what amount I

don't know, but all were declined. The seller's theory was that for some time to come people will go to a search engine and put in "Last Twinkie On Earth" and that will bring up his site or whoever owned it after the auction. Good luck to them all.

I just don't get it. These are tough economic times and many, many of us are struggling with heating our homes for the winter and putting food on the table. So many non-profit groups have seen drastic reductions in donations and are scrambling to fill the gap. Food pantries can't keep their shelves stocked because so many people are in bad situations and need all the help they can get. And, let's not forget that Christmas is coming.

I don't begrudge anyone from spending their own money any way they choose, but there is something decadent about paying \$6 or more for a single Twinkie. If I paid that kind of money, which I never would, I certainly wouldn't want to eat the pastry. I'd want to preserve it and we all know that Twinkies can last for a very long time. Maybe the people who are willing to spend that kind of money have something else in mind.

I know I won't be one of the ones bidding for them on eBay, but the way I see it some of those who are will be wrapping those boxes of 10 up and putting them under the Christmas tree, though Ho Ho's would probably make a better Christmas gift.

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Skis

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A pair of nine-foot-long skis crafted by a Finnish immigrant in Maine was recently transferred by the Finnish-American Heritage Society of West Paris to the Ski Museum of Maine. Pictured are, from left: Peter Starbird, Tamara Cohen, Karen Bennett, Martha Wilson, Natalie Parsons, Barbara Honkala, Barbara Payne, Dale Piirainen and Bruce Miles. (Photo: Scott Andrews)

tive director Bruce Miles and curator/research director Scott Andrews.

"We at Finn-Am are really pleased that these skis have found a good home," said Piirainen, who added that "title isn't being transferred, but the Ski Museum can keep them as

long as it wants to display them."

Andrews said that the Finn-Am skis represent a link between skiing's ancient origins in northern Europe and the sport's modern age in Maine and America. He also noted the exceptional workman-

ship.

Miles added that the Finn-Am skis would be prominently displayed in Kingfield.

"We are fortunate to have artifacts such as these handmade wooden beauties to show in our collection," he said.

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



Country Christmas in Bethel kicks into high gear this weekend with open houses, craft fairs, and Christmas tree lightings. There's a lot to choose from in the Bethel area.

Last week I reported the wrong date for the monthly hymn sing at the Pinhook Meeting House on Route 232 in Woodstock. The correct date is Friday, Nov. 30, from 7 to 8 p.m. The hymn sing will be followed by refreshments. The Meeting House Memorial Christmas Tree will be lit that evening. Everyone is welcome. I apologize for my error. The good news is that you haven't missed the event.

On Saturday morning, Dec. 1, the West Bethel Union Church is holding a Christmas greens sale from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. There will also be a cookie walk, crafts, and food for sale.

The West Parish Congregational Church hosts its annual Christmas Tea and Fair Saturday afternoon from 1 to 4 p.m. Along with the traditional Christmas tea, there will be crafts, knitted items, baked goods, and a cookie walk.

Christmas at the Mason House presented by the Bethel Historical Society is from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday. The first floor of the 1813 Moses Mason House will be decorated as it might have been in the Civil War-era. There will be live music and refreshments.

The Jingle Bell run begins at 3:30 p.m. at the Key Bank on Main Street. Participants will be given bells to wear as they run (or walk) up Main Street to the Common to meet Santa Claus and watch the lighting of the trees on the Common.

The Christmas tree lighting at the United Methodist Church on Main Street in downtown Bethel will be Saturday night, Dec. 1, at 6 p.m. Students and community members will provide live music and re-

freshments will be served. Everyone is welcome.

The 13th Annual Santa Sunday takes place at Sunday River Resort on Sunday, Dec. 2. All proceeds from the event benefit the Bethel Rotary's Christmas for Children program. Dress as Santa and you can ski free on Santa Sunday. You have to register on line at www.sundayriver.com.

If you're spending the winter away from Bethel, you can read about Christmas in Maine in the December issue of Down East, which will be in stores this week. The magazine features a story by local author Louise Dickinson Rich on spending Christmas deep in the Maine woods. Down East also reports that one of the notable events of October was the groundbreaking for the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum in Bethel. This issue of Down East will make you want to come back to Maine for the holidays.

If you have news you'd like to share, call me at 824-2483 or e-mail nancybrown1150@yahoo.com.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! Jean Grover had a very nice Holiday with family members at Jim and Dawn Grover's.

On Wednesday Arlene Harrington went to Durham to spend Thanksgiving with Dory, and she came home Friday.

Recently, Charlotte and Paul Kimball went to Flossie's for a visit. They've been fighting bad colds since and they hope they didn't pass it on to anyone. We all hope you both feel better soon.

This week it's time for the new Trivia: How much time did Eva Bean spend to prepare the East Bethel book? This is an easy one and I should get lots of answers. Please, call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net.

With Christmas just around the corner, I ask

you to share your favorite memory. This should be interesting and fun.

Wishing everyone a great week and try and stay out off the cold.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce approached Greenwood Selectmen

recently about appointing a representative to BACOC. They declined, but Town Manager Kim Sparks said she may take on that role. The focus would be economic development as well as ways to bring life back to our Main Street. This role will not involve the payment of dues to the COC according to Sparks.

Jim St. Germain has returned to the Planning Board. He took a medical leave of absence earlier this year. Now that he is well, he is back as an active Planning Board member. Good to see you back! On a less pleasant note, long-time Appeals Board member Henry Stewart has tendered his resignation. Sorry to see you leave, and thanks for your years of service to Greenwood.

The Greenwood Post Office has posted its new hours that will become effective Jan. 1. Monday through Friday they will be open 8 to 10 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday hours will remain the same, 8 to 11:30 a.m. The lobby will be open 24 hours a day. While this change will probably be only a slight inconvenience to most of us, the one it really effects is our postmistress Susie. The new schedule is a big cut in hours at a tough time of the year.

The sand sheds are both full, so Greenwood taxpayers can load up buckets for free. Besides the one behind the post office, we now have the new one at the town garage along the Greenwood Road. It's about two miles from Greenwood City and makes it much more convenient and energy-saving for folks who live there.

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Tuesday, Nov. 20

At 6:50 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to the Flat Road for a report of a possible assault. The case was under investigation.

Wednesday, Nov. 21

At 6:25 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to the North Road. A rock spun up by a vehicle had gone through a door window. The window had not been shot out.

At 12:56 p.m. Cpl. Justin Brown responded to Main Street for a report that a subject had entered a vehicle without permission.

At 7:40 p.m. a report was received of a vehicle operating erratically on the Parkway.

At 11:12 p.m. Deputies Matt Noyes and Nathan Bowie responded to Main Street for a report of a domestic incident at a residence. There were no criminal charges.

Saturday, Nov. 24

At 10:29 p.m. a caller reported concerns regarding a subject who was the victim of a domestic violence assault. The subject could not be located. Cpl. Justin Brown was assigned. Attempts were being made to locate the victim.

At 11:04 p.m. Cpl. Justin Brown and Deputy Nate Bowie responded to Route 2/River Bank Road for a single vehicle rollover. There were no injuries. Snow/ice covered roads contributed to the crash.

Monday, Nov. 26

At 9:37 p.m. a missing person was located on Church Street in a car. The subject was taken to the Bethel substation by Deputy Sullivan Rizzo and a relative was called to pick the subject up.

At 9:34 p.m. a caller on Route 232 reported a suspicious subject behind his house. Deputy George Cayer checked the area with negative contact.

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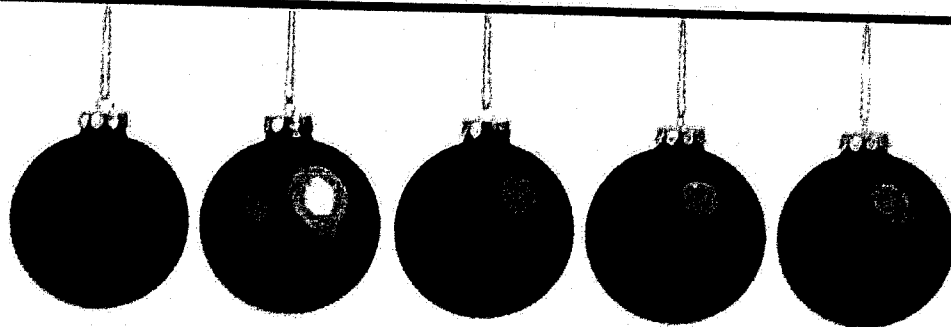
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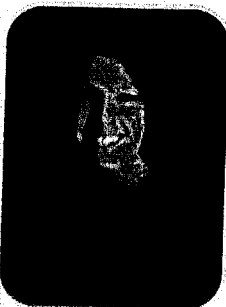


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Telstar Middle School has 18 students signed up for the cross-country ski program. If anyone has serviceable Nordic racing skis, boots, poles or clothing they would like to donate to this program, the Bethel Outing Club would be happy to accept donations. If you have equipment to donate, you can contact them at bethel-outing-club@google-groups.com.

Snow squalls are occurring now. They come in fast and furious, don't amount to much, and are over almost as soon as they start. Sort of like squalling kids.

The snow squalls we get are frontal squalls as opposed to the lakefront ones that occur along the Great Lakes and other large water bodies. Last weekend we had a frontal squall when a cold front moved in.

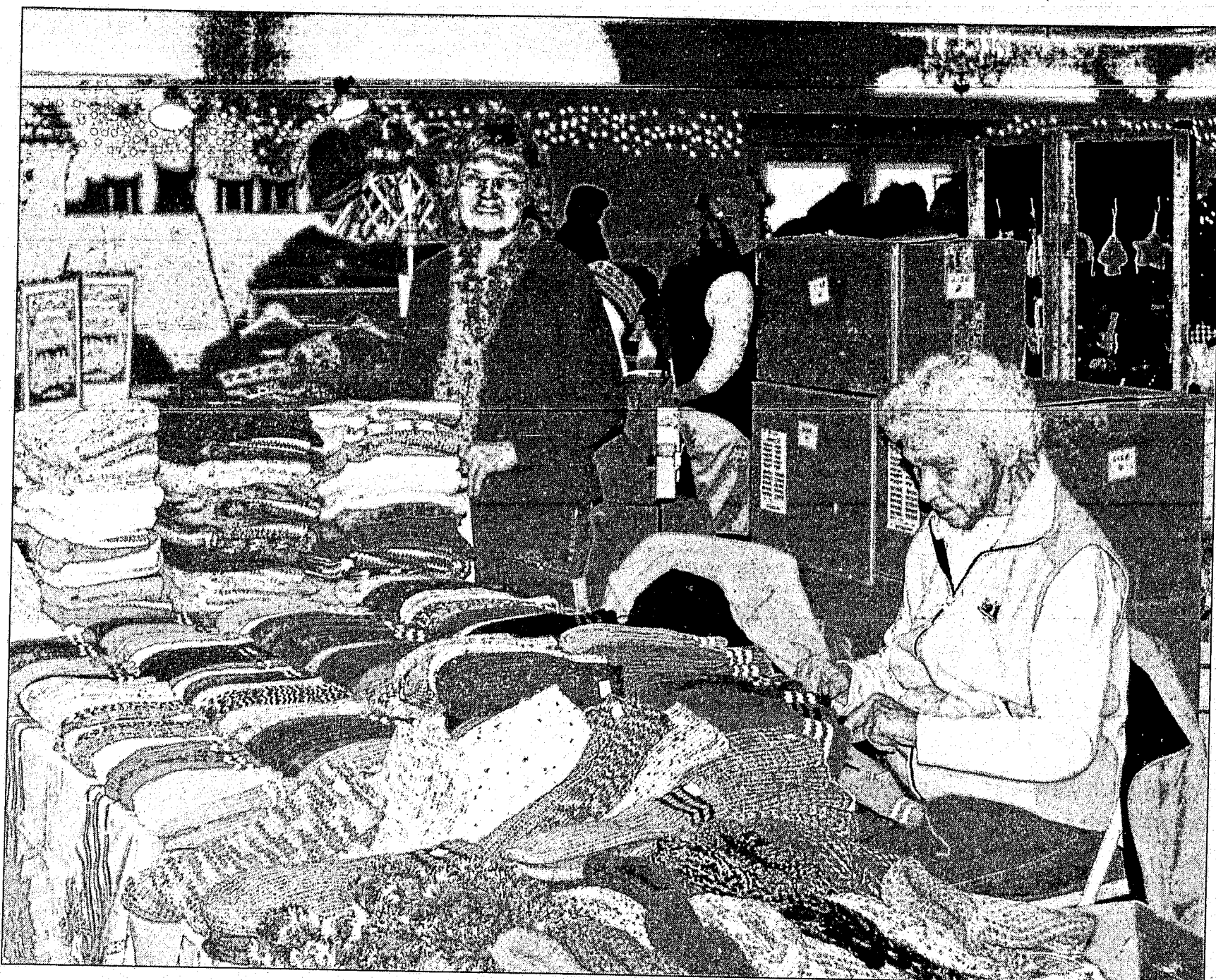
The temperatures dropped from 50 to 30 degrees, the winds howled, and snow came down heavy for about 15 minutes. Just enough to remind us of what is coming. Frontal squalls usually last less than 30 minutes and have strong winds that cause intense blowing snow with potential whiteout conditions.

With the snow comes the fun of tracking wild animals and figuring out what they are doing. Next weekend, Dec. 7-9, well-known tracker Susan Morse of Keeping Track will present a tracking workshop at Mahoosuc Guide Service in Newry. Besides the in-the-field workshop, there will be evening slide shows open to the public.

Friday night is deer of North America; Saturday night is bear, bobcat, and lynx. These are open to the public, start at 7 p.m., and are \$10.

To enroll in the workshop, call 824-2073. To attend the slide shows, just walk in.

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LOCAL CRAFT & WARES FAIR—A good crowd turned out Friday for the annual Local Craft & Wares Fair at the Bethel Inn Conference Center. Shown here are Cynthia Campbell and her mother, Lola Crockett, of Bethel with all their knit items. (Photo: Tatum Brown)

Andover

By JANE RICH



The 5th grade at Andover Elementary School is conducting a bottle drive on Saturday, Dec. 1, between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. You may also drop off bottles at the school between now and Dec. 1.

At a recent meeting the Sno Valley Snow Goers were unable to find per-

sons willing to staff the kitchen at the club house off Route 5. President Dick Merrill is working on another option at the moment and I will let you know when information solving this problem becomes available.

Plan ahead and mark your calendars for Dec. 8th when Christmas in Snow Valley will be in full swing here in Andover. The Andover Fire Department will be hosting their annual craft fair and welcome to Santa. The hours there will be 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. Any crafters who haven't yet committed to this can be aware that there are still tables available. Call Elaine Morton at 392-1140. Early birds will find the "fair" at the First Congregational Church open at 8:30 a.m. with Shirley's do-

nuts and coffee available. There will be a bake sale, a Christmas Table (green, etc.), a luncheon and a number of vendors including the Andover Historical Society. This traditional Andover happening is always well attended and you can find some real bargains.

The Snow Valley Sno-Goers snowmobile club will hold its December meeting and Christmas potluck supper on Wednesday, Dec. 5. The potluck supper will start at 6 p.m. and the regular meeting will follow at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse, off Route 5, Andover. Again this year the club will gladly accept unwrapped gift articles which will go to the Andover Elementary School Christmas Store where students can shop for gifts for family and friends. Also the winning 50/50 ticket will be drawn at the meeting. The winning prize will make someone very happy and the club will benefit from the tick-

et sales. There is still time to purchase 50/50 tickets and they will be available at the Dec. 5 gathering.

All club members and interested persons are invited to attend both the potluck supper (please bring a dish to share) and the meeting, it will be a fun, Holiday evening.

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The Upton Ladies Aid Association will host the Upton Community Christmas Party, Saturday, Dec. 1, in the school building. The party will begin at 6 p.m.

The State Line Snowmobile Club is scheduled to meet Dec. 1 at 9 a.m. in the Upton House.

The Selectmen will meet Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the town office.

I have been informed that I owe an apology to the Upton House cat.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



Hanover tax bills were mailed to property owners early last week.

Those who pay their taxes before Dec. 31, 2012, have a 2 percent discount available to them. Otherwise the bills need to be paid by June 30, 2013. Hanover recently issued 11 tax liens for taxes unpaid last year. To release the liens the owner will need to pay the taxes and lien fees plus 1/2 percent interest from July 1.

The Hanover Board of Selectpersons had a meeting on Nov. 20. The Board discussed ongoing topics of interest including requests of a South Shore Road resident that would like to have the road plowed in the winter.

The annual Hanover tree lighting will be at the Town Office at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 8. Follow-

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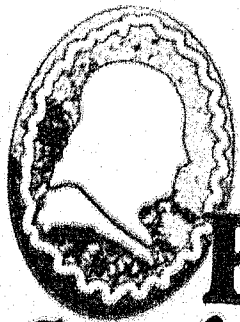
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ing the lighting, those attending may walk or ride to the Town House for a social gathering including desserts and maybe even singing for those who wish.

The Rumford Grange Craft and Food Sale was Saturday, Nov. 24. Following the sale there were drawings to determine the prize winners. Two ski trips to Saddleback Mountain were won by Methyl Park. Donna Worcester won one cord of firewood donated by Brian Worcester and a second cord of wood went to Alma Merrill. A food basket also went to Alma Merrill with a second food basket won by Betty Ickerson. Vicki Clark and Charlie Brown won haircuts from the Country Hair Shed. Vicki Clark and Charlie Brown won Oil Changes at Duke's Auto Sales. Vicki Clark won a gift certificate to Route Two Diner. Community Energy propane refills for barbecue grills were won by Vicki Clark, Donna Worcester and Charlie Brown. Donna Worcester won a gift certificate to Lloyd's Stand. Anne Morin won mowing or tilling by Wendell Easter. John Galden won a tanning certificate at the House of Beauty. Donna Worcester won loop tourmaline earrings from AU Jewelry and Chris Gorham won clasp Tourmaline earrings also from AU Jewelry.

Bob Brown, who operates Plumbago Mountain Mine, recently reported the opening of a new pit known as the Pilgrim Pocket where fine blue tourmaline has been found. It has been said to be of even a better quality than blue tourmaline found in nearby pockets.

A workshop called "A Matter of Balance" will be Wednesday, Dec. 12. It will be presented by Rhonda Norton, Physical Therapist, from the Rumford Hospital and will be at the Rumford Point Congregational Church at 8:30 p.m. Doors will open at 2:45 p.m. with the first 20 people eligible for a free balance screening. The program will look into factors that contribute to one's ability to maintain balance, especially us old folks. The program is free, open to the public and refreshments will be served. Take some time to explore some important health information and a bit of fun. Ann Morton assisted in providing this program. As Christmas draws ever



WOODSTOCK GAZEBO-This gazebo, donated to Woodstock by the Chase Family, now sits on the Town Common in Remembrance Park (Photo: A. Aloisio)

closer be sure to visit the Gardner Roberts Memorial Library gift shop for specialty-handcrafted gifts.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



Hopefully, everyone had a lovely Thanksgiving Day. There are so many things to be thankful for, such as, family and friends getting together and enjoying each other's company. By now, most of the goodies left over from the meal are gone, but do not despair, Christmas will be coming with another round of good eats to devour.

My brother, Steve McLain, was at the house Saturday morning. He had to stop at the Town Office to drop off some mail on his way home. He was kind enough to turn up the heat so I could go over later to finish up my final reports to the State regarding the recent election.

Steve and Lise McLain had Thanksgiving Dinner at Brad and Carole's (their son and his wife) house last Thursday. It was reported that the meal was delicious, as always.

Last Friday, Steve and Lise McLain attended the Craft Fair at the Bethel Inn Conference Center.

Hugh and I had our granddaughter, Sidney, for the day last Friday. We also decided to go to the Craft Fair in Bethel. Sidney picked up a few Christmas presents for her family.

Norm Buttrick and Cathy McGuire were in Gilead for Thanksgiving at their place on the Bog Road. We ran into them at the Craft Fair.

After shopping at the Craft Fair, we stopped at the Bethel Historical Society and had a chance to visit with Ann Holt, Pauline Applin, Danna Nickerson and Randall Bennett. Then it was on to Pat's Pizza for lunch and down to Maine Line Products for a little more shopping. By then, we were tired out and headed home to wrap the presents. Sidney decided to leave them at Grammy and Grampa's house so no one would find them before Christmas.

Our grandson, Ben Chapman, called last Sunday from the US Coast Guard Academy in New London, Conn. He came home for just a couple of days for Thanksgiving, but did not get over to visit. We had a chance to get caught up on how things were going at the Academy and all seems well. He told us that when Hurricane Sandy came ashore, they stayed at the Academy and waited out the storm. They

participated in clean up of the area afterward. He only has about three more weeks and then he can come home for Christmas break.

Thanksgiving Day brought excitement in Gilead. There was a canoe with three individuals that had capsized in the Androscoggin River and they were on an island. Gilead Fire Department was called out. Bethel Rescue was alerted and arrived at the scene to be ready to assist the three men when they were rescued from the island. Bethel Fire Department arrived on the scene with their rescue boat and put it in the river at the boat launch by the Androscoggin River Bridge. The members of the BFD traveled down the river, removed the men from the island and delivered them to Bethel Rescue. From what I heard later, they all seemed to come through the ordeal all right. Just a little wet and cold!

Area Wildlife
Most of the recent wildlife that has been seen is the growing number of birds at the feeder. Hugh had to move the feeder out onto the lawn to keep the gray squirrels from jumping off the roof onto the feeder. The Plexiglas seems to have deterred the squirrels from climbing the post and now that it is farther away from the house, they

looked quite upset and are hopeful that the birds will drop seeds on the ground. The red squirrel has been picking them up and running around the front yard and burying them in several different places. I am not quite sure how he expects to find them later, but I think the gray squirrels have found a few.

The usual birds are still here, but Mr. Cardinal is coming more often and the Red-Breasted Nuthatch has shown up and joined the White-Breasted Nuthatch. The newest visitor that arrived in the middle of last week was the female Red-Bellied Woodpecker, who is a member of the Ladder-Backed Woodpeckers. The male and female look quite a lot alike, but the male has a red crown and nape and the female only has the red nape. They are not common to this area, but are slowly increasing their range further north to include this area. She stayed around for a few days, but we have not seen her lately. In May of 2009, the male was seen in the area.

Howard Reiche called last Sunday to discuss some projects that are in the works for the Gilead Historical Society.

Town Office

This is just a reminder that 2013 dog licenses are available from the Town Clerk at the Town Office. Proof of a current rabies shot is mandatory and the cost is \$6 for Spayed/Neutered and \$11 for Male/Female. A \$25 late fee is applied after Jan. 31. There will be a Rabies Clinic at the Bethel Fire Station on Dec. 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. The fee is \$15 and payable in cash only.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



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ing, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the church. I cut down two large fir trees, harvested a couple marketable logs and proceeded to delimb the trees and snip off the green tips suitable for making wreaths. Dan and Lydia Grover came up to join in the harvest activities, after they delivered a pickup load they harvested on "the Farm."

Of course, big dog Shiloh joined the fun. He romped around picking up sticks and teased anyone busy by pushing into us trying to convince whichever of us paid any attention to grab hold of the stick in his mouth and try to wrest it away from him, while he shook his head and pulled back mightily. Mostly, Shiloh pestered Lydia because she seemed the easier touch and didn't push him away as forcefully as Dan and I.

After putting up with Shiloh's antics for a while, I began to think about Shiloh and dogs in general. Who has a better life than a dog? He/she has a full food dish night and morning without having to work for it. His job is to do fun and silly stuff just to make us laugh and point and give him treats. He presses his toys into our laps and looks up with that big grin and sparkling eyes, knowing we will give in and play with him a minute just to get rid of him for a while. He makes fun out of the simplest objects: a bent stick, a small sapling, chasing a bird or a dry leaf blowing in the wind, or a butterfly dancing on the breeze. When he is tired, he just plops down wherever he might be and goes to sleep, or he may just lie flat with his nose on his outstretched paws and let his eyes follow your every move, with that "I love you" expression all over his droopy face. He can brighten the most grumpy man's expression by sidling up next to him and gently licking the side of his outstretched hand.

He is always joyously happy to greet you whenever you come home after a hard day, especially if you have been away for a few days. He forgives all your unkindnesses to him, and he makes clear his disappointment whenever he's told to "stay here" when you're headed for the pickup truck; head hung low, eyes drooping, ears drooping, shoulders slouched and tail between his legs. When you are tired and grumpy, he is satisfied just to be as close to you as he can get, following your every move or just lying by your chair with his muzzle on top of your feet.

In sum, having a dog like Shiloh somehow makes life more rewarding.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Thanksgiving has come and gone. I hope all had a nice time. We spent it with family - kids, grandkids, etc. We had a great meal prepared by all and left with leftover turkey, stuffing and pieces of pie. The weather was a lot better than last year when there were snow showers and cold. That will come soon enough.

I want to say Happy Birthday to daughter Rachel. Her birthday is today.

Thursday, Nov. 29, ACOA meets at the Waterford Library at 10 a.m. This is a discussion meeting and new members are welcome. FMI please call 739-9115.

Saturday, Dec. 1, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Christmas at the Mason House will be presented by Bethel Historical Society. There will be live music and refreshments.

Sunday, Dec. 2, 7:30 to 11 a.m. Bethel Rotary will hold their breakfast at Ordway Hall at Gould Academy. Tickets in advance are \$7 and \$8 at the door. Children \$3. FMI call Ellie



THANKSGIVING FOR A HUNTING FAMILY-For the past five years, Avery Angevine of Bethel has gathered his family at the Sudbury Inn for Thanksgiving dinner on the Sunday after Thanksgiving. "Most of them are hunters," he said, and the delay until Sunday allows them one more day in the woods. Pictured here are, from left: Jill Angevine Sanborn, Makayla Sanborn, George Angevine, Avery Angevine, Musa Brown, Don Angevine, Luke Angevine and Bonnie Fox.

(Photo: Melanie Angevine)

Andrews 592-9614.

Dec. 2, 1-4 p.m., Oxford County Democrats will have their after-the-elections briefing at Crescent Park School. There will be a potluck lunch. FMI call Cathy Newell at 875-2116.

Monday, Dec. 3, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Socrates Café will meet at Waterford Library. Topic will be: What is Spirituality? Bob Dow will moderate. There will be coffee and light refreshments. FMI please call 583-6957.

Monday, Dec. 3, 2 to 4 p.m., the knit and chat group will meet at the Waterford Library. FMI please call 583-2050. All levels of knitters are welcome.

Dec. 8, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Fare Share Commons will have a fundraiser and silent auction. FMI please call 743-9044.

John Governale, I am waiting to read your "Ode to an Impact Wrench" when we next meet.

That is all for this week. Enjoy the clear days while we have them, they are sure to end soon. Stay warm. If anyone has news

or information they would like me to include, please call me at 739-9115.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



The Whitman Memorial Library program for December will be held

a week earlier this month. On Thursday, Dec. 6, Charlotte Winchester will lead a Christmas Craft project at the library at 2 p.m. - Christmas tree ornaments. Supplies will be provided; if you have a glue gun, please bring it. Public invited, no charge, light refreshments.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, Dec. 6, at the Legion Hall, Locke's Mills for a meeting, dinner put on by the Legion Auxiliary and program by Forestdale School children. If you wish to exchange a gift, bring one, exchange of cards. Bring items for Food Pantry and Children for Christmas if you wish.

overnight guests of his grandparents, Ken and Alice Hoyt.

Albany

By CATHY BENNETT



The weather has been wonderful the past few weeks. Thanksgiving was a beautiful day! This allowed people to travel without worries.

Jane Wardwell was joined for Thanksgiving by her nephew and wife, Darrin and Heather Reynolds and children Isaiah and Jeanne, her niece and husband, Danjean and Nic Collins and their children, Mckayla and Quin, and Nic's mother. Mckayla and Jeanne were also celebrating birthdays - Mckayla, turning six on Nov. 21 and Jeanne turning seven on Nov. 23.

Margaret and Franklin Barton entertained the following guests for dinner on Thanksgiving: Jeff and Sue Barton and Sue's sister and boyfriend; Sue's father, David Goodwin; Dolly and Jim, Rachel, and Justin Barton and his girlfriend, Kyli.

Dolly Barton shot a nice four-point buck last week. She is very excited!

Terry and Frank Howard enjoyed the company of their children, Dareth and Christopher; Terry's mother, Barbara Inman; Mike and June Inman; Brian and Erica Inman; Nita and Ed Butters; and Ed's mother, Betty Preble.

A wonderful Thanksgiving was had at Hillcrest Farm, the home of Chris and Elton Cole. Those attending besides the host and hostess were: Peter and Kathy Cotter; Megan and Patrick Cotter; Kayla Cole and friend Robert Bachelier; Marie and Eben Kaitlin; Devin and Cole Kaitlin; Jen and Douglas Bennett and Isabella, Kathy Bennett, David Bennett and friend Drew Mitchell. A big thank you to Megan and Patrick for preparing the turkey. Also kudos to the other people that made or prepared the rest. What a feast!

Hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving with lots of good company and great food. Until next week, and God Bless.

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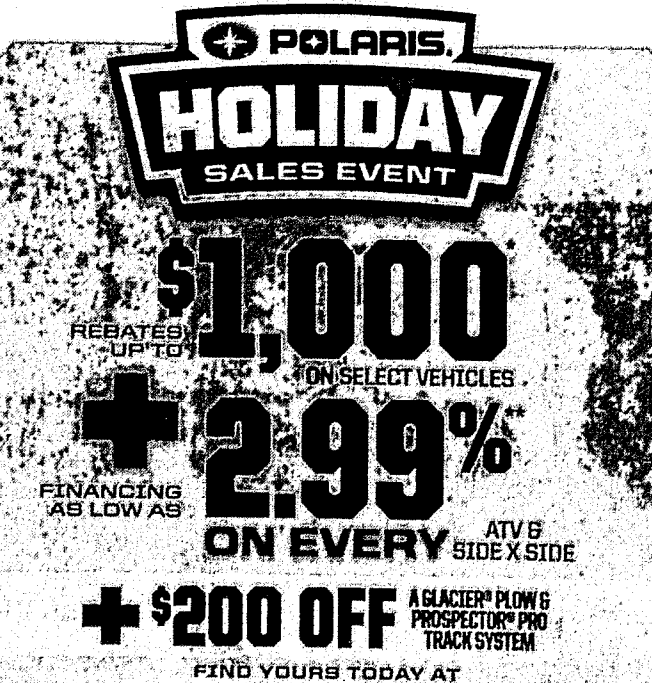
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The Council is a leader in collaboration having worked close with Gould Academy and MSAD 44 for over 25 years. It is a member of the Bethel Area Non-profit Collaborative, the Western Maine Arts and Business Collaborative, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, the Maine Alliance for Arts Education, the Maine Association of Nonprofits and the Western Maine Cultural Alliance.

In 2011, the State of Maine and Maine Association of Nonprofits recognized the Council with the Dirigo Award for Nonprofit Excellence for the scope and effectiveness of our mission impact.

While our work continues to gain recognition for its importance and high quality, the economy keeps working away at funding sources which were previously reliable. In addition to becoming creative and collaborative with our fundraising strategy, we are still forced to make some tough cuts for the first time since our founding in 1986. Ultimately cuts mean less educational experience for our students, less money earned by artists, fewer

customers drawn into Western Maine businesses and so on.

If you have not previously supported the Arts Council, we urge you to visit our website, www.mahoosucarts.org, to learn about this important work.

You can help build arts education for our students and economic opportunities for our community by making a tax-deductible gift to the Mahoosuc Arts Council today, no matter how small. We would love to thank you with a returned gift of concert tickets to one of our upcoming

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West Paris Library's lights of the season

The West Paris Library will soon be glowing every evening, outlined with sparkling white lights and a big red heart in the front

window.

The first lighting of this winter season will be on Friday, Dec. 14, at 6:15 p.m. All are invited to share in this annual festive event.

This year we are celebrating those who helped make the dream of a more spacious library a reality. Following the illumination of lights, if the weather permits, there will be horse-drawn wagon rides for the young and young at heart.

Inside, holiday cookies and hot, mulled cider will be served. There will be songs by the Agnes Gray Explorers and a sing-along



PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY TO FEATURE U.S.S. ARIZONA ARTIFACT—With the assistance of Sen. Olympia Snowe's office, the Maine Veterans' Home of South Paris has recently acquired a piece of the battleship U.S.S. Arizona, which was sunk during a surprise attack on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese Navy Forces on Dec. 7, 1941 with the loss of 1,777 lives. There will be a Pearl Harbor remembrance ceremony, open to public held at the South Paris facility on Dec. 7 at 1 p.m. Residents, family and community members are cordially invited to attend. At the ceremony, the Arizona artifact will be put on permanent display at the South Paris facility located at 477 High Street, South Paris. When asked what motivated Maine Veterans Homes to pursue acquiring this piece of history, Joel Dutton, Administrator of the facility stated "We are always looking for military artifacts that reflect the sacrifices made by our men and women in uniform. Part of our mission at MVH is to remember and honor those who have served in uniform for the security of our nation. We are very pleased to have received this historical artifact and look forward to having it on display here at our facility." For more information call 207-743-6300, or visit www.mainevets.org.

Telstar Middle School ArtReach Jamboree

Telstar Middle School students will present the ArtReach Jamboree & Student Art Sale on Dec. 6, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Telstar Auditorium and Cafeteria (snow date: 12/7).

This free event will feature a student art exhibit and sale, a showcase of service-learning projects connecting youth and elders, and a Jamboree concert focusing on the musical expression of older generations.

In the fall, TMS Advanced Art students chose to focus this year's ArtReach service-learning project on helping and working with senior citizens in our area.

Students have been working on oral history interviews and related visual art projects, they have been investigating issues important to seniors, and they have been working with adults and elders on several creative collaborations.

In addition, the Bethel LEGO League group has also been working on a service-learning project to benefit seniors. These efforts, and more, will be showcased at this event.

The Jamboree concert will begin at 6 p.m., and will feature special performances from local professional musicians including Jewel Clark, Richard Felt & Friends, Denny Breaux, and more. Refreshments will be provided, and all proceeds from the event will benefit the Oxford County Meals on Wheels program. For more information about this event, contact Melissa Prescott, TMS Visual Art Teacher - prescotm@sad44.org.

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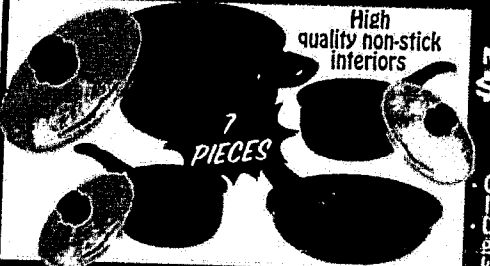
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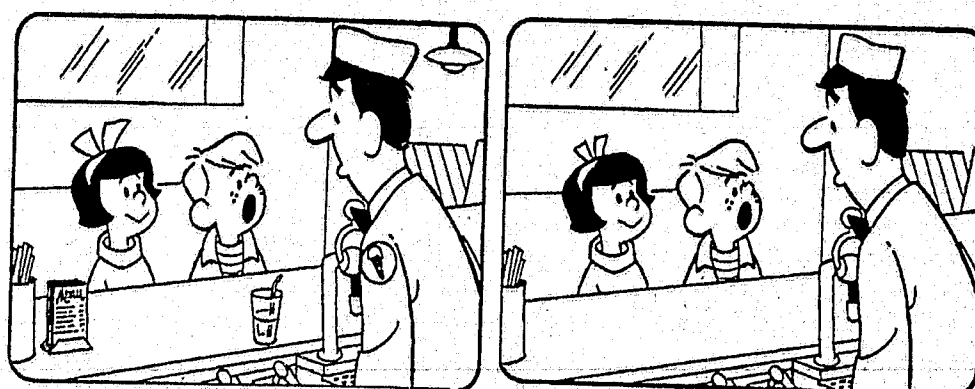
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Bow is smaller. 2. Menu holder is missing. 3. Glass is missing. 4. Cap is different. 5. Light is missing. 6. Arm patch is missing.

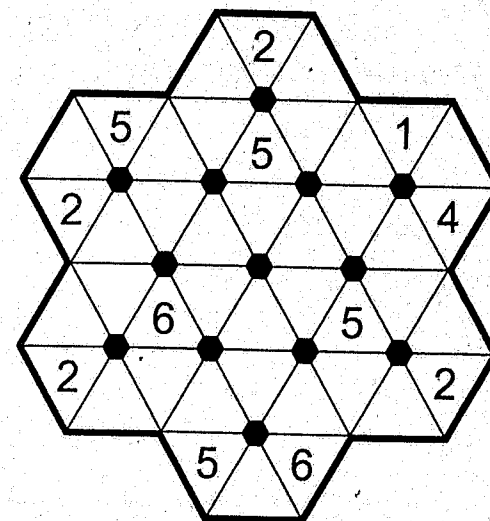
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them.

No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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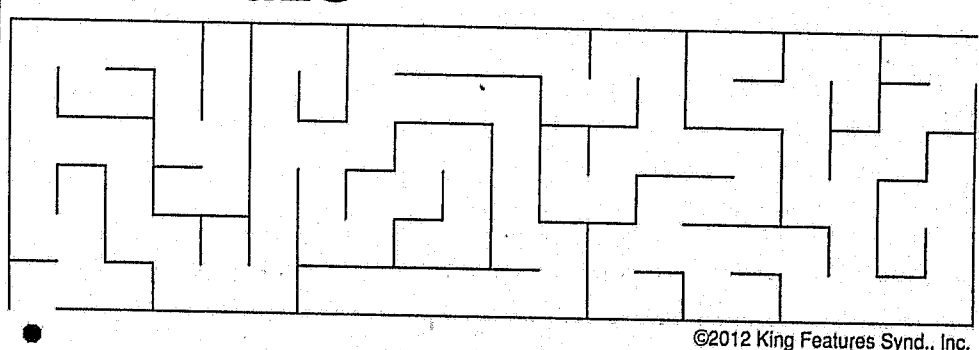
THROWY

TODAY'S WORD



"I can't go, Al—I just got back from a convention in Las Vegas and my wife is deprogramming me."

Kids' Maze

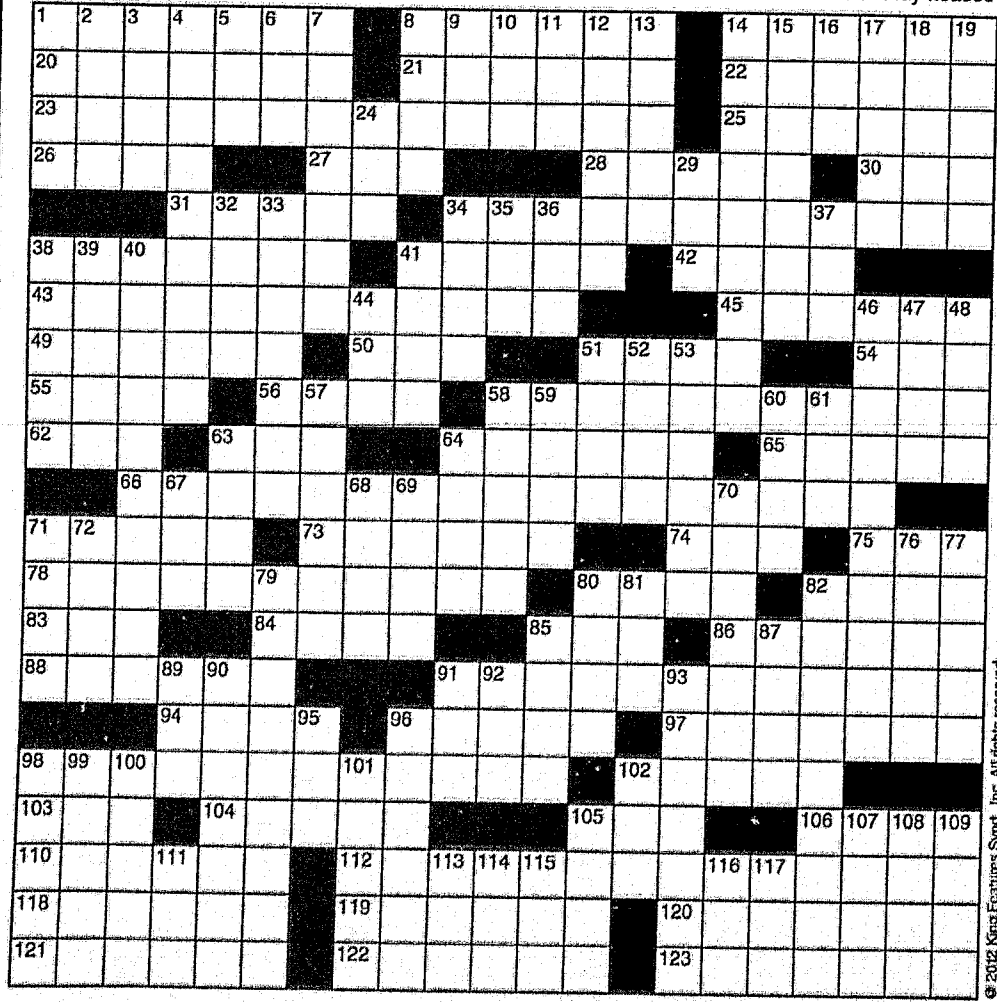


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Super Crossword

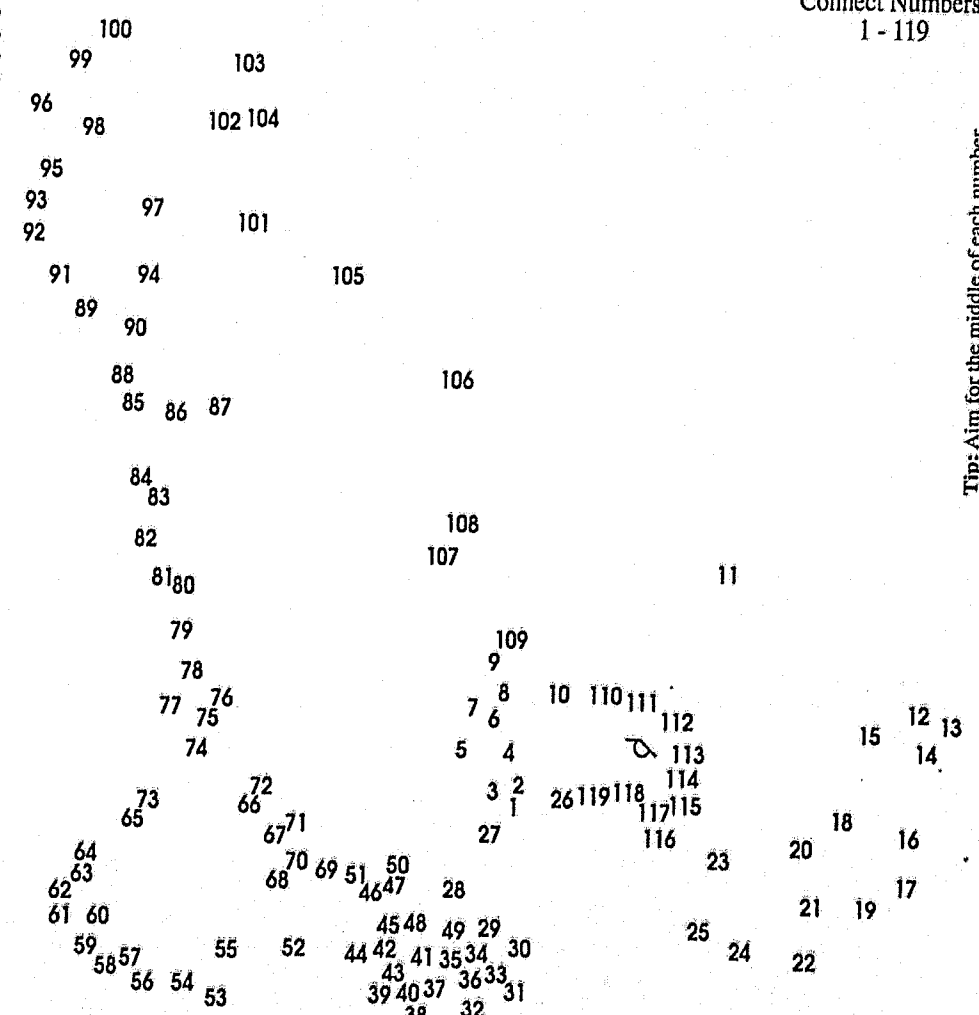
LONG IN THE PAST

- ACROSS
- Not quite direct, as a flight
 - Stallions, e.g.
 - Trees of Lebanon
 - Inhale and exhale
 - It's aimed at
 - Mountain ridge east of Jerusalem
 - Retail VIP conked on the head?
 - Words after "Frankly"
 - Like lemons
 - Funny friend
 - Hurts badly
 - Nutrition std.
 - Good for something
 - Group of five people drunk on sherry?
 - Not connected to the Internet
 - Covers the feet of
 - Rebuff rudely
 - Steinway with a wood finish?
 - 1965 hit for the Yardbirds
 - Former Disney chief
 - Michael
 - Klee's output
 - Wall St. debuts
 - Done in the manner of
 - "Como usted?" (Sp. greeting)
 - Rite, with tolls
 - Shop that only sells fileted meat?
 - With 63-
 - Across, what a sailor breathes in
 - See 62-
 - Across
 - Vital blood lines
 - "Hasta —" (Sp. sign-off)
 - Barnes & Noble that's too small for its flow of customers?
 - Owl's claw
 - Cleaves with elbow
 - Covered the grease
 - Stockholm's land: Abbr.
 - Orange
 - Cash shown in film shots?
 - "Dies —" (Lat. hymn)
 - Utah lily
 - "Chances —"
 - Old U.S. gas name
 - Major-league
 - Sups at home
 - Gives back
 - Senary covered with smudges?
 - "Veni, vidi, —"
 - Uncovers
 - Somewhat
 - Critters using highway divisions?
 - English river
 - Siouan people
 - Across
 - Vital blood lines
 - Years on end
 - "Hasta —" (Sp. sign-off)
 - Barnes & Noble that's too small for its flow of customers?
 - Owl's claw
 - Cleaves with elbow
 - Covered the grease
 - Stockholm's land: Abbr.
 - Orange
 - Cash shown in film shots?
 - "Dies —" (Lat. hymn)
 - Utah lily
 - "Chances —"
 - Jacob's brother
 - Blue-green algae variety
 - With 6-
 - Down, source of element #50
 - See 5-Down
 - Hawked
 - All-male
 - Copper-hued
 - Special time
 - It has a yolk
 - Considered
 - Fine fiddle
 - Stalin's doctrine
 - Blissful place
 - Carried out
 - Turn away
 - Aptly named
 - Together, in music
 - Cargo unit
 - M.Sgt. and
 - Cubic
 - Curly slapper
 - Mensa figs.
 - Spork prong
 - Lethargy
 - "Say again?"
 - Na+, for one
 - Prefix with noir
 - Nuggets' org.
 - S-curves
 - Bichon — (dog breed)
 - In dreamland
 - Royal title
 - Islamabad's land: Abbr.
 - Ogle
 - "Shake —"
 - Large mil. alliance
 - Taken with
 - Apex
 - West Texas city
 - Spectrum producers
 - Hockey's Orr
 - Top Olympic medals, in Madrid
 - Hand lotion additive
 - Classic Karel
 - Capek play
 - Secretary of education
 - Duncan
 - Together, in music
 - Cargo unit
 - M.Sgt. and
 - Cubic
 - Curly slapper
 - Mensa figs.
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 - In dreamland
 - Royal title
 - Islamabad's land: Abbr.
 - Pitcher
 - Darling
 - Talked like
 - Porky Pig
 - Skillets and woks
 - Opposed to, in the sticks
 - One of 17 in Monopoly: Abbr.
 - Like "oy vey"
 - Place to get a massage
 - Contact no.
 - Bread makers
 - Put — good word for
 - Siouan people
 - Access the Internet
 - Old arcade game maker
 - Baby shower rule, perhaps
 - JFK Library architect
 - Singer Jones
 - Periphery
 - Coal pit, e.g.
 - "Miracle" ball team
 - Secy, e.g.
 - Classic diner
 - Bear, in Peru
 - Nothing at all
 - Call a halt to
 - "culpa"
 - The lens is behind it
 - Gray-headed



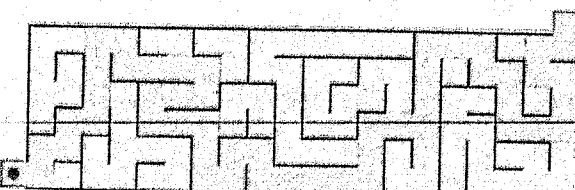
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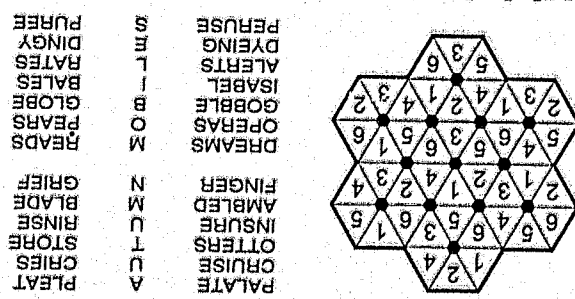


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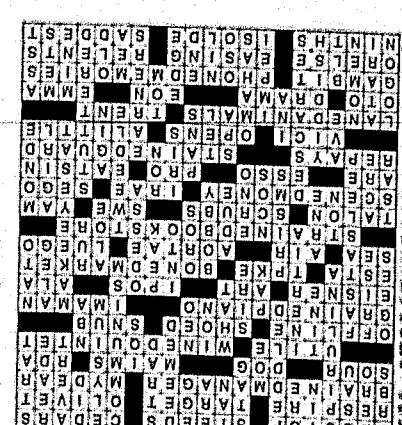


Kids' Maze Solution



Puzzles4Kids

Answers



Super Crossword

Answers

Today's Word: Bowling

Scramblers: 1. Glance 2. David 3. Robust 4. Worthy

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Community Calendar

Help Celebrate the Season at Bethel United Methodist Church when tree is decorated for the holidays. Colored lights may be purchased in memory of or honor of loved ones for \$5 each. Send your names and donations to church at PO Box 387 Bethel, Me 04217.

Master Gardener Volunteer training offered by University of Maine Cooperative Extension in 2013. Training will focus on fruit and vegetable production, composting, season extension, botany, soil science and pest management. Locations: Wednesday afternoons at Region 9 Technical School, Mexico and Thursday evenings at the South Paris Extension office. Class sizes limited. For an application, or more information, call (800) 287-1482, 743-6329 or visit <http://umaine.edu/oxford/programs/oxford-county-master-gardener-volunteers/>

Staying on Your Feet, a free one-time course for adults aged 60 and over. Course includes balance screening, blood pressure check, leg-strength measurement, and education on staying fit. Location: Second Thursday of every month, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway.

South Paris Area Veterans - The Veterans' Advocate will not be at the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris on Wednesday, Dec. 5. His visits to the Maine Veterans' Home will be Friday, Dec. 7 and Wednesday, Dec. 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Thursday, Nov. 29

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Christmas Tree Sale** to benefit the Hope Association at the What Not Shop, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford.

7 p.m. - **Jackson Silver Post 68** Christmas Tree Lighting at the Hall, Locke's Mills.

Friday, Nov. 30

6 p.m. - **Benefit Bingo**, Jackson-Silver Post 68, Locke's Mills. Food sales and raffles. Doors open 4 p.m. Proceeds support Christmas for Families. FMI: Nina (836-3600)

7 to 8 p.m. - **Monthly Hymn Sing** at Pinhook Meeting House, Route 232, Woodstock. The Meeting House Memorial Christmas Tree will be lit during the hymn sing. Refreshments to follow. All are welcome.

Saturday, Dec. 1

8 to 11 a.m. - **Advent Fair**, Trinity Lutheran Church, 34 Buckfield Road, South Paris. Rada knives, food, Christmas decorations, white elephant table, raffle tickets. Coffee/snacks served.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **West Paris Fire Auxiliary Christmas Craft Fair**, Agnes Gray School gym. Door prizes and 50/50. Beverages and food available. Vendors and crafters needed. FMI: 674-5890.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Christmas in the Valley Craft Fair** at Mountain Valley High School, Rumford. Parade, raffles, Chinese auction, cookie walk, items for sale from 56 crafters, and more. FMI call 364-3241 or visit www.rivervalleychamber.com.

9:30 to 11:30 a.m. - **Greens Sale**, West Bethel Union Church. Crafts, cookie walk, and food.

10 a.m. to 12 noon - **Andover Elementary School 5th Grade Bottle Drive**. Bottles may be dropped off at the school between now and Dec. 1.

1 to 3 p.m. - Free wagon rides through Bethel Village.

1 to 4 p.m. - **Annual Christmas Tea and Fair**, West Parish Congregational Church. Traditional tea, crafts, cookie walk, and more.

1 to 4 p.m. - **Holiday Open House**, Harvest Gold Gallery, Route 5, Center Lovell. Refreshments. FMI: 925-6592 or visit harvestgoldgallery.com.

3 p.m. - **Nutcracker Performance**, Berlin Junior High Auditorium. Tickets: \$12 adults/\$6 students/children now available at St. Kieran Arts Center, 155 Emery Street, Berlin, N.H. Gill's Florist, Top Furniture, White Mountain Cafe, Gorham; Riff Flower Shop, Lancaster; and Lazerworks Radio Shack, Colebrook. For group tickets and more information: (603) 752-1028 or visit www.stkieranarts.org.

3:30 p.m. - **Annual Jingle Bell Run**, Key Bank, Main Street. Participants will jog/walk to the Bethel Common where Mr. and Mrs. Santa will distribute candy canes and light the trees on the Common for the holidays.

3:30 to 5:30 p.m. - **Christmas at the Mason House** presented by the Bethel Historical Society. Each year, the Society celebrates the holiday season by decorating the first floor period rooms in the 1813 Dr. Moses Mason House as they might have appeared just before the Civil War. Live music. Seasonal refreshments.

5 to 6:30 p.m. - **Waterford World's Fair Association**,

first supper of the winter with auction to follow at North Waterford Congregational Church, 15 Green Road. Menu: Dana's famous baked stuffed haddock, mashed potato, coleslaw, bread, drinks, pie. Adults, \$8/Children, \$4.

6 p.m. - **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**, Bethel United Methodist Church.

Dec. 1, 2

10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. - **Mt. Washington Cog Railway's Santa Trains**. The train, joined by Santa Claus, departs Marshfield station and climbs halfway up Mt. Washington, to Krofite Kamp. Advance reservations recommended. FMI: visit www.TheCog.com or call (603) 278-5404.

Sunday, Dec. 2

7:30 to 11 a.m. - **Bethel Rotary Club Breakfast**, Ordway Hall, Gould Academy. Tickets: adults advance \$7 or \$8 at door/ children \$3. All Bethel Rotary Club members have advance tickets for sale. Tickets also at We've Got the Look, Route 26, Locke's Mills (875-2887). FMI: Ellie Andrews (592-9614)

11 a.m. - **Tree of Peace and Love Lighting** at North Waterford Church, Five Kezars Road opposite Melby's Market. White lights with memorial origami cranes can be purchased for \$5. Order forms available at area stores and post offices. FMI: Milly Millet (583-2822).

12 to 3 p.m. - **Witt Swamp Trail Opening**. Join the Western Foothills Land Trust on a short walk through the newly-opened Witt Swamp Trail located 1.1 miles north of Main Street, across from Emerson Street, Norway, and help thank all the trail builders who have opened the way. Rain, snow, or shine. FMI call 739-2124 or visit www.wittmaine.org.

1 to 4 p.m. - **Oxford County Democrats Meeting** at Crescent Park School. Potluck lunch followed by debrief of the 2012 election, and planning for regional celebration events in Jan. FMI: Cathy Newell (875-2116) or visit <https://www.facebook.com/OxfordCountyDems>

3 to 8 p.m. - **"Sunday Gravy" Fundraiser**, 22 Broad Street at Gideon Hastings House. Proceeds to benefit Crescent Park School's fifth-grade class trip. Menu: Fresh salads, homemade focaccia bread, pasta w/ meatballs, sausage, braciolo of beef, and tiramisu. Space is limited. Reservations required. \$20 per person. FMI/Reservations: 824-3496

Monday, Dec. 3

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Socrates Café**, Waterford Library. December topic, "What is Spirituality?" Moderated by Bob Dow. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. FMI call 583-6957 or e-mail wla@waterford.lib.me.us.

Tuesday, Dec. 4

6 p.m. - **Telstar Middle School organizational meeting** to form PTA for middle school, Telstar library. Election of officers. FMI: Margie Finley (890-5245) e-mail, margeryfinley@gmail.com or Elissa Lufkin (415-0551) e-mail, elissa.lufkin@gmail.com.

Wednesday, Dec. 5

6 p.m. - **Snow Valley Sno-Goers Christmas Potluck Supper**, Sno-Goers Clubhouse off Route 5, Andover. Donations for Andover Elementary School's Christmas Store appreciated. 50/50 raffle. Meeting to follow at 7 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 6

2 p.m. - **Christmas Craft Program** led by Charlotte Winchester at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Supplies to make tree ornaments will be provided, but attendees are asked to bring a glue gun if possible. The program is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

5 to 8 p.m. - **ArtReach Jamboree and Student Art Sale**, presented by Telstar Middle School's art students. Special performances by Jewel Clark, Richard Felt and Friends, Denny Breau, and more. Refreshments will be provided. Proceeds to benefit Oxford County's Meals on Wheels Program. FMI: Contact Melissa Prescott (prescotm@sad44.org) or (824-2136 ext. 228).

Friday, Dec. 7 and Saturday, Dec. 8

Senior College Players will present two audience-participation holiday favorites, "A Christmas in Wales" and "Memories of a Wonderful Life" on Friday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 8 at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Mason House Exhibit Hall, 14 Broad Street, Bethel. Public invited. Admission free. Donations accepted to offset Royalty fees. FMI contact Director Lynn Arizzi at 824-0080.

Friday, Dec. 7

1 p.m. - **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Ceremony** at the Maine Veterans Home of South Paris, 477 High Street. Following the ceremony, a piece of the battleship, U.S.S. Arizona, will be put on permanent

display at the South Paris facility.

7 p.m. - **"Deer of North America: Whitetail, Mule Deer, Elk, Moose & Caribou"** slideshow by Susan Morse at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. Refreshments available. Cost: \$10.

7 to 9 p.m. - **Holiday Gifts Show Opening**, Common Art Collective, 443 Main Street, Norway beside the Fare Share Market. Paintings, drawings, photographs and more from Oxford Hills area artists.

Saturday, Dec. 8

8:30 a.m. - **Christmas Craft and Food Fair**, Andover Congregational Church. Coffee and homemade donuts 8:30 to 11 a.m. Lunch 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

9 to 11 a.m. - **Breakfast with Santa** at Crescent Park School. Music, crafts, and breakfast free. Pictures w/ Santa: \$5. Proceeds to benefit fifth-grade class trip.

3 to 8 p.m. - **Heritage Holidays at the Park** at Northern Forest Heritage Park, 942 Main Street, Berlin. ATV-drawn hayrides, marshmallow roasting, cookie decorating, pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus, Christmas Treasury Reader's Theatre, and more. Donations of non-perishable food items for local food pantry appreciated. Admission is free. FMI: (603) 752-7202.

1 to 5 p.m. - **Metropolitan Opera Live in HD "Un Ballo in Maschera"** at the Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, 18 Bradley Street, Fryeburg. Tickets: Adults, \$26/Seniors (65+), \$23/Students, \$18. To order, call 935-9293 or visit www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac.

7 p.m. - **"Black Bear, Bobcat, Canada Lynx, River Otter, Moose & More"** slideshow by Susan Morse at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. Refreshments available. Cost: \$10.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Swingin' Bears Square Dance Club Teddy Bear Dance**, Oxford Hills Middle School, Pine Street, South Paris. Donations of stuffed toys for Right Start for Kids appreciated. Door prizes, Pot o' Gold drawing, refreshments. Admission: \$6. FMI visit www.squaredanceme.us/ or call Eleanor Herrick (782-4050).

Sunday, Dec. 9

4 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Community Band's annual Holiday Concert**, West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Come, relax, and enjoy some Christmas music. Refreshments following concert. Donations accepted.

Tuesday, Dec. 11

6 p.m. - **Mundt Allen American Legion Post 81 Annual Christmas Party**, Legion Hall, Locke's Mills. RSVP: Bob Everett (836-2038) or Bob McCartney (836-3575).

7 p.m. - **Tar Sands Meeting**, Waterford Town Office, 366 Valley Road. Brief presentation about tar sands oil and how it affects Waterford followed by a question/answer session. FMI: Call Earl Morse (583-6957)

Dec. 13, 14, 15

7 p.m. - **Dashing Through the Snow**, Helen C. Berry Auditorium, Telstar. A 2 p.m. matinee will be presented Saturday, Dec. 15 in addition to the 7 p.m. show. Free family entertainment presented by Telstar High School's theater department. Donations accepted. FMI: 824-2136.

Friday, Dec. 14

6:15 p.m. - **West Paris Library Winter Lights**. Horse-drawn wagon rides, holiday cookies, mulled cider. Songs by Agnes Gray Explorers and sing along accompanied by Jim Burke. FMI: 674-2004.

7:30 p.m. - **The musical score for A Charlie Brown Christmas** presented by the Heather Pierson Quartet, Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center. Tickets: Adults, \$10/Seniors (65+) and students, \$5. FMI call 935-9232 or visit www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac.

Saturday, Dec. 15

1 p.m. - **Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club's Potluck Holiday Party**, Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. FMI: Contact John (743-5009) or Kevin (farrout@roadrunner.com).

2 to 4 p.m. - **Rabies Clinic**, Bethel Fire Station. \$15 - cash only.

7:30 p.m. - **A Heritage Christmas**, First Congregational Church, 17 East Main Street, South Paris. Performances by the Androskoggin Chorale and Lewiston High School Chamber Choir, accompanied by Bridget Convey. Adults, \$18/Seniors, \$16/Students \$9/Children 12 and under, free. Tickets: Call 782-7228 or visit www.mainemusicsociety.org.

Sunday, Dec. 23

5 p.m. - **The Living Nativity**, Bethel town common. View this scene performed by local people, and live animals.

SUPPORT SERVICES

SAFE VOICES

Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 869-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting, Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across

from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

EXCHANGES/PANTRIES

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 869-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-8 p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

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HAPPENING AROUND TOWN

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS IN BETHEL FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2012 TO MONDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2012

Country Christmas in Bethel is weekends Thanksgiving to Christmas, with a few mid-week activities also. Local Craft & Wares Fair (Nov. 23), Breakfast with Santa, Greens Sale, Christmas Fair & Tea, Jingle Bell Run, arrival of Santa & Christmas tree lighting (Dec. 1), Saturday afternoon wagon rides through historic Bethel village, Santa Sunday at Sunday River (Dec. 2), open houses, shopping specials, holiday concerts, Living Nativity. All create a fun, country-Christmas atmosphere! FMI, call the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce at 824-2282.

FUNDRAISER FOR CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL 5TH GRADE CLASS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

Join us for a great cause and a great meal Sunday, December 2, 2012 from 3 pm until 8 pm. 22 Broad Street is hosting a fundraiser for the 5th grade class at Crescent Park. For \$20.00 per person: fresh salads, homemade focaccia bread, imported pasta with meatballs, sausage, our house specialty braciolo of beef, and tiramisu can be yours! 100% of food proceeds will go to the 5th grade so they can participate in the class trip to Boston and the Museum of Science. Of course if you wish to pay more than the \$20.00 it will all go to Crescent Park. Students, teachers and parents will be your servers and hosts for the evening. Rally around the school and make your reservations today! Space is limited. Reservations Required. 207-824-3496

A COUNTRY BREAKFAST IN BETHEL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

The Rotary Club of Bethel will host its annual Country Breakfast on Sunday, December 2, 2012, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at Ordway Hall, Gould Academy, Church Street, Bethel. This annual event is much anticipated and enjoyed by all each year - because it benefits community projects and scholarships, and for the delicious meal prepared and served by Rotarians and friends. Pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, homefries, breads, beverages, and more! Advance tickets are \$7.00 for adults; \$8.00 at the door; and children \$3.00. All Bethel Rotary members have advance tickets for sale. For more information and breakfast tickets, please contact Ellie Andrews, 207-592-9614. Tickets can also be purchased from Holly at "We've Got The Look," Rt. 26, Locke Mills. Her phone number is 207-875-2887.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2012

What are you wishing for this Christmas? Let Santa know at Crescent Park School's traditional Breakfast with Santa. The kids can have their pictures taken with Santa for \$5 to benefit the 5th grade class trip. Music, crafts, and breakfast are free for the whole family. Time: 9-11 a.m.

TREE-TRIMMING TREATS YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL LOVE!

HOLIDAY PINEAPPLE PUNCH

2 1½ oz. pkgs. strawberry-flavored drink mix
2 cups sugar
4 qts. plus ¾ cup water, divided
6-oz. can frozen pineapple juice concentrate
2-liter bottle lemon-lime soda
2-liter bottle strawberry soda
2½ to 3 cups pineapple sherbet, softened
Combine drink mix, sugar and 4 quarts water in a large punch bowl; stir to dissolve. Add juice concentrate and remaining water, mix until concentrate is melted. Add sodas and sherbet; serve over ice. Makes about 2 gallons.

NACHOS FOR A CROWD

13½ oz. bag round tortilla chips
15-oz. can homestyle chili
8-oz. pkg. shredded Mexican-blend cheese
½ cup queso sauce
10-oz. pkg. shredded lettuce
1 onion, diced
1 green pepper, chopped
½ cup jalapeño pepper, sliced
Optional:
½ cup sliced black olives
4-oz. can diced green chiles
Garnish:
½ cup sour cream
1 tomato, diced
2 T. dried chives

Arrange chips on a large microwave-safe plate; set aside. Heat chili in a microwave-safe bowl on high setting for one minute; stir. Microwave for another minute; set aside. Sprinkle tortilla chips with cheese; microwave on high setting for 30 seconds. Spoon chili and queso sauce over cheese; sprinkle with lettuce, onion and peppers. Top with black olives and green chiles, if desired. Add a dollop of sour cream; sprinkle with tomato and chives. Serves 6 to 8.

FAMILY FAVORITE PARTY MIX

1 cup bite-size crispy wheat cereal squares
1 cup bite-size crispy rice cereal squares
1 cup bite-size crispy corn cereal squares
1 cup peanuts
1 cup pretzel sticks
¼ cup butter, melted
2 T. Worcestershire sauce
1 t. seasoned salt
1 t. garlic salt
1 cup candy-coated chocolates
1 cup raisins

Combine cereals, nuts and pretzels in a slow cooker. Mix together butter, sauce and salts; gently stir into cereal mixture. Cover and cook on low setting for 3 to 4 hours. Uncover and cook on low setting for an additional 30 minutes; stir occasionally. Drain on paper towel-lined baking sheets; transfer to a large bowl. Cool. Add chocolates and raisins; toss to mix. Store in an airtight container. Makes 7 cups.

HONEY SESAME WINGS

3 lbs. chicken wings
salt and pepper to taste
2 cups honey
1 cup soy sauce
½ cup catsup
¼ cup oil
2 cloves garlic, minced
Garnish: sesame seed
Place chicken wings on an ungreased broiler pan; sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place pan 4 to 5 inches under broiler. Broil for 10 minutes on each side, or until chicken is golden. Transfer wings to a slow cooker. Combine remaining ingredients except sesame seed; pour over wings. Cover and cook on low setting for 4 to 5 hours, or high setting for 2 to 2-1/2 hours. Arrange on a serving platter; sprinkle with sesame seed. Makes about 2-1/2 dozen.

CANDY CANE THUMBPRINTS

¾ cup butter, softened
½ cup sugar
¼ t. salt
1 egg, beaten
1 t. vanilla extract
1½ cups all-purpose flour
Garnish: finely crushed peppermint candies

Filling:

¾ cup butter, softened
¼ t. peppermint extract
1½ cup powdered sugar
2 to 3 t. milk
Blend butter, sugar and salt with an electric mixer on low speed. Mix in egg and vanilla. Beat in as much flour as possible; stir in remaining flour. Cover; chill for one hour. Shape dough into one-inch balls; place 2 inches apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 375 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes, until lightly golden around edges. Remove from oven; make a thumbprint in each cookie with thumb. Cool. For Filling: blend butter and extract. Gradually add powdered sugar and milk to a piping consistency. Pipe filling into centers; sprinkle with crushed candy. Makes about 3 dozen.

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Thanksgiving in SAD 44



NHS DINNER-The Telstar High School National Honor Society held its annual Thanksgiving Dinner for senior citizens Nov. 18. Pictured are, above left, Kurt Mason and Gaby Conrad at the Welcome Table, and right, Ricky James with his grandmother. (Photos: Brianna Santos and Kurt Mason)

School Lunch

Week of Dec. 3

Elementary School Lunches

Monday: Chicken patty/whole wheat bun w/lettuce and tomato, oven fries, apple, or Sunbutter and jelly.
Tuesday: Macaroni and cheese, ham slice, or yogurt, cheese stick, and breadstick, green beans, pickled beets, mixed fruit.
Wednesday: Pizza choices, Caesar salad, banana, diced peaches, or Sunbutter and jelly.
Thursday: Whole grain Rotini w/meat sauce, seasoned beans, steamed corn, applesauce, or Sunbutter and jelly.
Friday: Turkey and cheese grinder w/lettuce and bacon, sweet potato bites, pineapple tidbits, or Sunbutter and Fluff.
 Fruit and Veggie Bar daily.

SIMULATING TIGHT QUARTERS ON THE MAYFLOWER

Last week the second and third graders at the Crescent Park Elementary School in Bethel pretended they were on the Mayflower. They measured the size of the ship, and all squeezed together in that size space. The youngsters discovered that 102 people on the Mayflower, with all the supplies, was a tight squeeze.

(Submitted photo)



Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.
Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Senior Pastor & Nicholas Lutz, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults and children, "Sunday Morning Live" for Middle and High School youth; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30-6:30 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade). Tuesdays: High School Youth Group 5-7 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group 5-7 p.m. FMI: 207-824-2289

Bethel Church

of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. A.M. Worship, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Bible Study and Prayer, 7 p.m. Third Sunday of each month at 9 a.m., breakfast open to the public at no charge. For info or if you have a prayer request: Gerry Shimamura 824-7289 or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.
Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26). Fr. Robert Vaillancourt may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements 824-2933.

Episcopal House Church - Third Sunday of the month, 4 p.m. FMI: 824-3932.
West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533 or 836-2882.
Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3- high school. FMI: 836-2823.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. FMI: 824-3577.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 824-8939.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. (North Waterford and East Stoneham Congregational Churches will hold their joint services in the church on Route 5 in East Stoneham during May.) Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 - 10 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (corner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastor Ray Mitchell. Sunday morning service 9 a.m. (summer) with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 FMI

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Sunday services: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., (July and Aug. 9 a.m.) Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-mail christch@megalink.net.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 6 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11 a.m. worship. (Sept. - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School

9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass.

Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave. The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.; Weekday Mass, 8 a.m. Office 364-4556.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 986 Prospect Ave. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m. Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI call 364-3856 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - Sunday services, 9 a.m., Sept. to June.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship-9:45 a.m.; Sunday School- 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth- 6 p.m.; Word of Life Olympians (kids club) - 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study-7 p.m.; Ladies' ministry, food pantry, third Saturday of month. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson (207-527-2551), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

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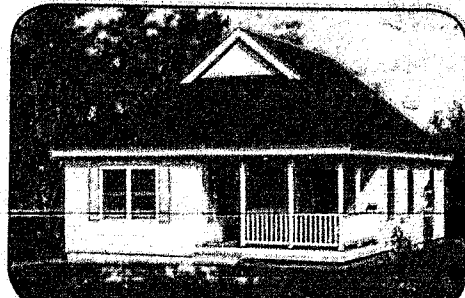


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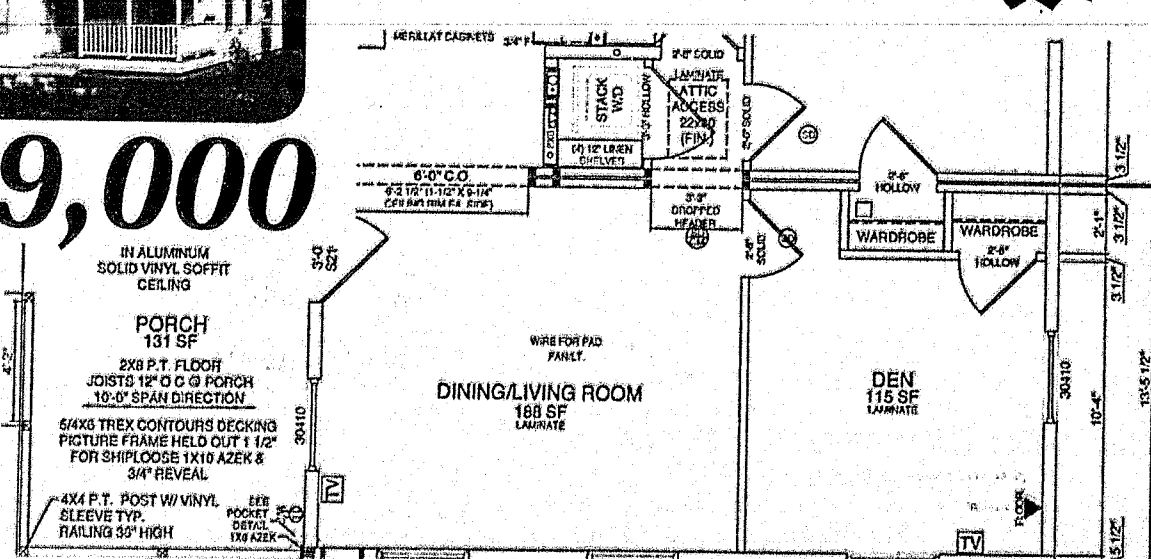
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FUNDRAISER FOR CRESCENT PARK SCHOOL 5TH GRADE CLASS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

Join us for a great cause and a great meal Sunday, December 2, 2012 from 3 pm until 8 pm. 22 Broad Street is hosting a fundraiser for the 5th grade class at Crescent Park. For \$20.00 per person: fresh salads, homemade focaccia bread, imported pasta with meatballs, sausage, our house specialty braciolo of beef, and tiramisu can be yours! 100% of food proceeds will go to the 5th grade so they can participate in the class trip to Boston and the Museum of Science. Of course if you wish to pay more than the \$20.00 it will all go to Crescent Park. Students, teachers and parents will be your servers and hosts for the evening. Rally around the school and make your reservations today! Space is limited. Reservations Required. 207-824-3496

A COUNTRY BREAKFAST IN BETHEL SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

The Rotary Club of Bethel will host its annual Country Breakfast on Sunday, December 2, 2012, 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at Ordway Hall, Gould Academy, Church Street, Bethel. This annual event is much anticipated and enjoyed by all each year - because it benefits community projects and scholarships, and for the delicious meal prepared and served by Rotarians and friends. Pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, homefries, breads, beverages, and more! Advance tickets are \$7.00 for adults; \$8.00 at the door; and children \$3.00. All Bethel Rotary members have advance tickets for sale. For more information and breakfast tickets, please contact Ellie Andrews, 207-592-9614. Tickets can also be purchased from Holly at "We've Got The Look," Rt. 26, Locke Mills. Her phone number is 207-875-2887.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2012

What are you wishing for this Christmas? Let Santa know at Crescent Park School's traditional Breakfast with Santa. The kids can have their pictures taken with Santa for \$5 to benefit the 5th grade class trip. Music, crafts, and breakfast are free for the whole family. Time: 9-11 a.m.

TREE-TRIMMING TREATS YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS WILL LOVE!

HOLIDAY PINEAPPLE PUNCH

2 1½ oz. pkgs. strawberry-flavored drink mix
2 cups sugar
4 qts. plus ¾ cup water, divided
6-oz. can frozen pineapple juice concentrate
2-liter bottle lemon-lime soda
2-liter bottle strawberry soda
2½ to 3 cups pineapple sherbet, softened
Combine drink mix, sugar and 4 quarts water in a large punch bowl; stir to dissolve. Add juice concentrate and remaining water, mix until concentrate is melted. Add sodas and sherbet; serve over ice. Makes about 2 gallons.

NACHOS FOR A CROWD

13½ oz. bag round tortilla chips
15-oz. can homestyle chili
8-oz. pkg. shredded Mexican-blend cheese
½ cup queso sauce
10-oz. pkg. shredded lettuce
1 onion, diced
1 green pepper, chopped
½ cup jalapeño pepper, sliced
Optional:
½ cup sliced black olives
4-oz. can diced green chiles
Garnish:
½ cup sour cream
1 tomato, diced
2 T. dried chives

Arrange chips on a large microwave-safe plate; set aside. Heat chili in a microwave-safe bowl on high setting for one minute; stir. Microwave for another minute; set aside. Sprinkle tortilla chips with cheese; microwave on high setting for 30 seconds. Spoon chili and queso sauce over cheese; sprinkle with lettuce, onion and peppers. Top with black olives and green chiles, if desired. Add a dollop of sour cream; sprinkle with tomato and chives. Serves 6 to 8.

FAMILY FAVORITE PARTY MIX

1 cup bite-size crispy wheat cereal squares
1 cup bite-size crispy rice cereal squares
1 cup bite-size crispy corn cereal squares
1 cup peanuts
1 cup pretzel sticks
¼ cup butter, melted
2 T. Worcestershire sauce
1 t. seasoned salt
1 t. garlic salt
1 cup candy-coated chocolates
1 cup raisins

Combine cereals, nuts and pretzels in a slow cooker. Mix together butter, sauce and salts; gently stir into cereal mixture. Cover and cook on low setting for 3 to 4 hours. Uncover and cook on low setting for an additional 30 minutes; stir occasionally. Drain on paper towel-lined baking sheets; transfer to a large bowl. Cool. Add chocolates and raisins; toss to mix. Store in an airtight container. Makes 7 cups.

HONEY SESAME WINGS

3 lbs. chicken wings
salt and pepper to taste
2 cups honey
1 cup soy sauce
½ cup catsup
¼ cup oil
2 cloves garlic, minced
Garnish: sesame seed
Place chicken wings on an ungreased broiler pan; sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place pan 4 to 5 inches under broiler. Broil for 10 minutes on each side, or until chicken is golden. Transfer wings to a slow cooker. Combine remaining ingredients except sesame seed; pour over wings. Cover and cook on low setting for 4 to 5 hours, or high setting for 2 to 2½ hours. Arrange on a serving platter; sprinkle with sesame seed. Makes about 2-1½ dozen.

CANDY CANE THUMBPRINTS

¾ cup butter, softened
½ cup sugar
¼ t. salt
1 egg, beaten
1 t. vanilla extract
1½ cups all-purpose flour
Garnish: finely crushed peppermint candies

Filling:

¼ cup butter, softened
¼ t. peppermint extract
1½ cups powdered sugar
2 to 3 t. milk
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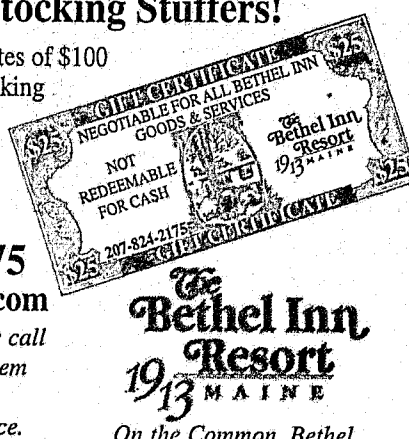
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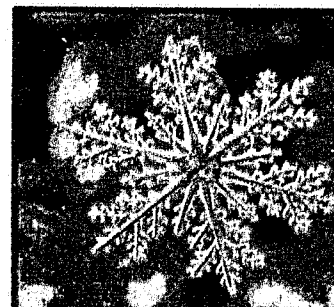
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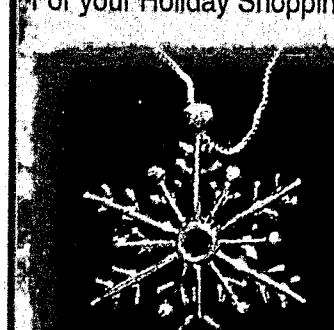
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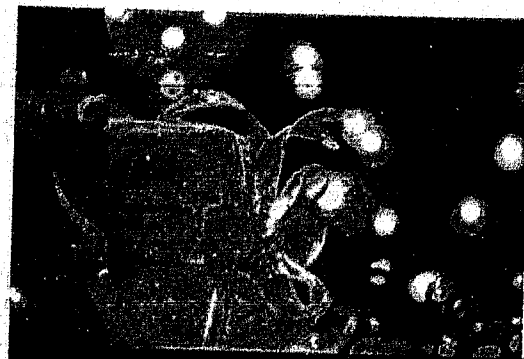
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Second-graders in Alice Lee's CPS class did an experiment using baking soda, vinegar, and a disposable glove.

WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY



A Giant Pacific Map recently visited the Woodstock Elementary School. Students in all grades participated in different activities revolving around the map. Third graders identified which animals live in the different habitats of the Pacific Ocean.

ANDOVER ELEMENTARY



The Andover Elementary Student Council members recently created some colorful signs to represent each classroom in the annual "Parade of the Horribles". The parade is held on Halloween afternoon. Students and staff alike parade through The Elderwood Manor and around the village square to the delight of many Andover residents and families. Pictured here are: Dylan Duclos (masked), Nyia Dixon, Angela Cintron, and Perry Morton.

News from Mr. Condello's Grade 2/3 Class at AES

In science and social studies, we have been working on some exciting projects. Second graders, who have been studying factories and production, created their own laptops. For this project, students designed 3D paper laptops, and invented their own company name.

3rd Graders, who have been working on ecosystems, created their own 3D ecosystems. This ecosystems project depicted producers, consumers, and secondary consumers.

Hands-on work is an important complement to worksheets and other traditional classroom instruction. Hands-on work is also appreciated by the students.

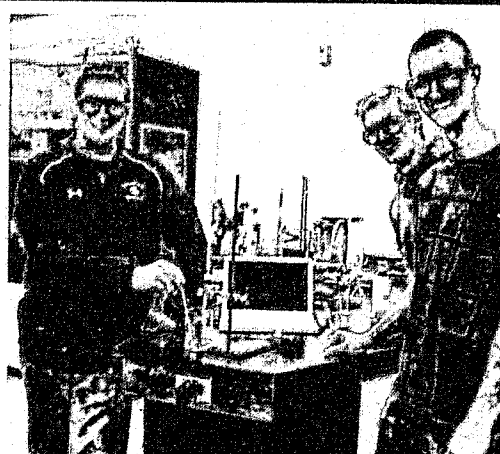
The class has been working hard. The class is producing a large amount of written work in subjects such as math. Both second and third graders have been working on measuring. Work in measuring has included the standard and metric system. In addition to our study of measurement, second graders are also focusing on carrying and borrowing in arithmetic. Hand in hand with the class's study on measuring, the third graders also continue to work with multiplication.

In addition to our work in math, students are studying spelling, parts of speech in writing, and the steps of the writing process. Raz also continues to be a part of the class, allowing students to practice their oral reading skills.

TELSTAR MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL



New inductees of the Telstar High School National Honor Society at their formal induction ceremony Nov. 14. Front: Anna Saucier, Kathryn Coolidge, Colton Davis, and Jessica Casey. Back: Brianna Santos, Carlee Beatson, Samantha Mallory, Alyssa Brands, and Maisie Griffin.



Ricky James, Kevin Annis and Colton Davis, members of Telstar's first AP Chemistry class, perform an acid-base titration lab.



TMS/WMSC JOINT ART PROJECT-The same directions were given to the students in the TMS Advanced Art Class and the students in the Western Mountains Senior College Drawing and Painting Class: "Create an original two-dimensional artwork inspired by 'movement'." but only finish it half-way." After both groups completed this first step, they traded projects and finished each other's work. Finally, these two groups met together to title the artworks, price them, and prepare them for display at the TMS ArtReach Jamboree and Student Art Sale, which will be held Dec. 6 from 5 p.m.-8 p.m. at Telstar.

Here, eighth graders Luke Davis and Alex Duclos work with Karen Mills and Suzanne Taylor. The Dec. 6 event will feature several service-learning efforts involving youth/elder collaborations. All the proceeds from this event will benefit the Oxford County Meals on Wheels Program. For more information, contact Melissa Prescott, TMS Visual Art Teacher - prescotm@sad44.org.



Maisy Griffin looks on as marshmallows grow really big under a vacuum in THS Physics class.

At Telstar High School, a new class called Integrating Technology teaches online safety. The students in the class update the school website, collaboratively learn educational technology, and teach other students about internet safety. Recently, they followed Common Sense Media lessons and adapted lesson plans as a basis for teaching the sixth graders of Telstar High School about online safety. Their lessons involved showing videos, presenting slide shows, speaking about Internet safety, and involving the classes in activities that would help them understand online behaviors. The students in the Integrating Technology class did quite a bit of work to make their lessons effective and powerful, focusing on both content and presentation.

The 6th-grade teachers believed that the lessons were important to share with the sixth graders. The middle school students enjoyed hearing from high school students who could make the learning relevant and easy to understand. The Integrating Technology class felt honored to be able to teach the sixth grade classrooms. They liked having the teaching experience, especially working with other students. The sixth grade students were attentive listeners and positive participants. One high school student said, "It was an enjoyable experience to be able to teach the students important lessons. I'm very glad I had the opportunity." The students had a good time, and felt a sense of accomplishment after teaching the important lessons of online safety.

The ArtReach Jamboree and Student Art Sale will take place Dec. 6-5 p.m.-8 p.m. - Telstar Auditorium and Cafeteria (snow date - Dec. 7 - same times). This free event will feature a student art exhibit and sale, as well as a showcase of service-learning efforts connecting youth and elders. The Jamboree will begin at 6 p.m., and will feature special performances from local professional musicians and students focusing on the music of older generations. Refreshments will be provided. All proceeds will benefit the Oxford County Meals on Wheels program. For more information, contact Melissa Prescott, TMS Visual Art Teacher - prescotm@sad44.org

New online math program popular with THS teacher and students

We are using an online program called Aleks.com with our Algebra 1 and statistics classes at the high school. It's a program that assesses the needs of students and addresses those needs on an individual basis. I am extremely impressed with it.

Each student begins with an assessment. From that point on everything is individualized to address student needs. They get to choose from a menu of topics that they "are ready to master". They work in those areas until the program deems them "mastered". At unannounced intervals new assessments pop up and they must complete the assessment before moving on. The assessment covers previously mastered topics to see if they still remember and new topics to assess where to go next. Each time they log on, they are encouraged to "review". Students have found reviewing necessary to guaranteeing success on the next assessment.

Student comments:

Michael DelDuca, statistics: "I like the fact that I can work at my own pace."

Dakota Hutchins, Alg. 1: "I like it. I don't have to carry papers around so I can keep things better organized."

Kijah Bartlett, Alg. 1: "I don't like being online that much but it does help me."

Akayla Curtis, Alg. 1: "The way it's set up really helps me learn."

Anna Saucier, statistics: "It's great. You have to work to get anywhere and it's really challenging."

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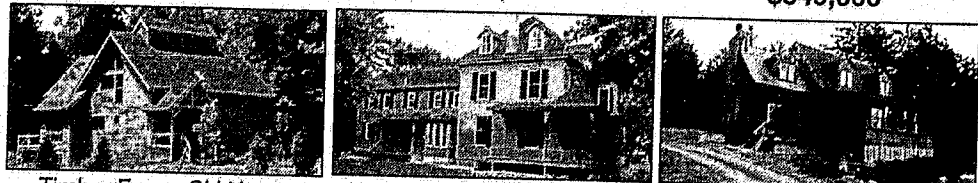
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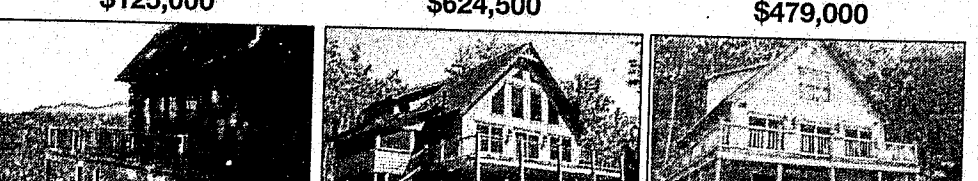
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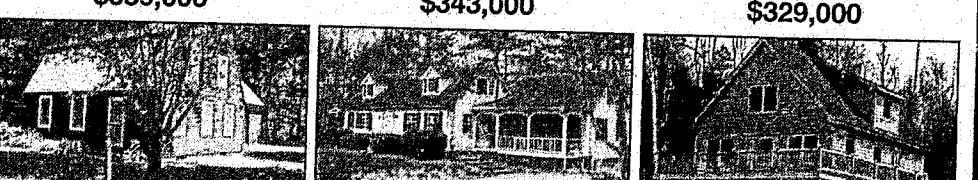
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WHEREAS, on July 10, 2012, a Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale was entered by the District Court, District Eleven, Division of Northern Oxford, in an action entitled *The Summit Condominium Owners Association v. James R. Tarnow*, under Docket No. RUM-RE-11-44, for the foreclosure of condominium association fees due from the said James R. Tarnow to The Summit Condominium Owners Association, a copy of said Judgment being duly recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 4906, Page 148 and,

WHEREAS, the statutory ninety (90) day redemption period has elapsed without redemption by the said Defendants, their successors or assigns;

NOW, THEREFORE, by order of and in execution of said Judgment of Foreclosure and Order of Sale, notice is hereby given that there will be sold at public sale at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 28, 2012, at the office of John S. Jenness, Jr., Esq., at 23 Market Square, South Paris, Maine, all and singular the premises described in said Judgment, to wit:

Certain real estate located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, more particularly described as follows:

Unit No. 343/345 Time Share Unit Quarter 1 in Building 1 of Phase I in the Summit at Sunday River, A Condominium, located in the Town of Newry, County of Oxford and State of Maine, a condominium established by Sunday River Skiway Corporation pursuant to the Maine Condominium Act and by Declaration of Condominium dated December 14, 1992, and recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, Eastern District, in Book 1965, Page 187 (which Declaration, together with the Exhibits and/or appendices thereto, and any amendments, is herein termed "Declaration") and to which reference is hereby made, which said unit is shown on the floor plans of the building identified above recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry of Deeds. Reference is also made to survey plan, by Dana C. Douglass, Jr., R.S., likewise recorded simultaneously with said Declaration in said Registry.

Being precisely the same premises conveyed to James R. Tarnow by Warranty Deed in Book 2090, Page 337 from the Sunday River Ski Corporation dated January 11, 1994, which is recorded in the Oxford County Registry of Deeds, and entitled and subject to all benefits and restrictions as described therein.

TERMS OF SALE: Pursuant to Title 14 M.R.S.A. §6323, the public sale shall be held not less than thirty (30) days nor more than forty-five (45) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. The Association shall sell the premises to the highest bidder at the public sale and deliver a deed of such sale to the purchaser, which deed shall convey the premises free and clear of all interest of the parties-in-interest joined in the action. The Association or any other party-in-interest may bid at the public sale. All bids are to be supported by 10% deposit, except for banks. All deposits are to be made either in cash or by certified check at the time of bidding. Closing on the sale shall occur within thirty (30) days of the date of the sale. All other terms are to be announced at its place of business in Newry, Maine, or the undersigned attorney for the Association.

DATED AT PARIS, MAINE, this 16th day of November, 2012

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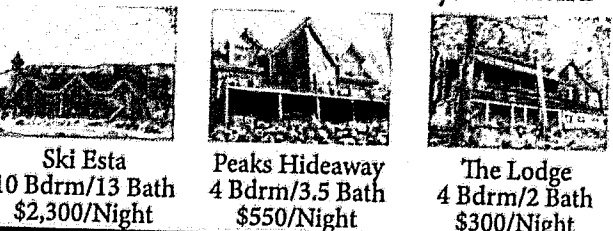


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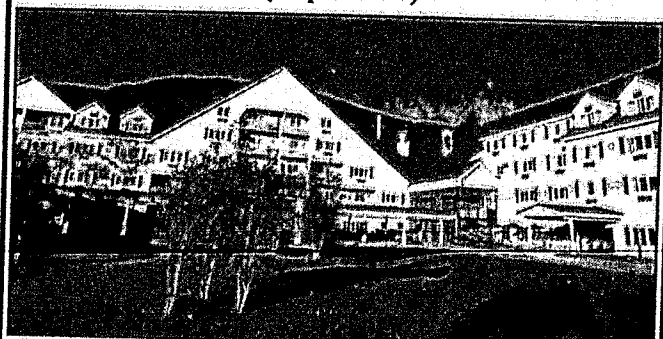
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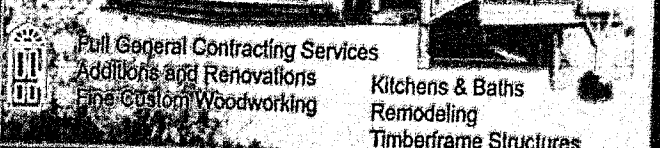
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Obituaries



RITA P. WILSON

Rita P. Wilson, 73, of Bethel, died Saturday, Nov. 24, 2012, at Stephens Memorial Hospital after a courageous battle with cancer. She died peacefully with her family by her side.

She was born in Haver, Maine, on Dec. 6, 1938, the daughter of Ellsworth and Irene Cole Pingree. She attended Gould Academy as a member of the class of 1956. She married Dennis Wilson on Nov. 16, 1957, and the two have shared 55 wonderful years together.

Rita was a homemaker and worked as the bookkeeper for the family business for 30 years as well as being a skilled seamstress. She was a member of the Eastern Star, an avid yard seller and was an easily recognizable member of the community. She enjoyed spending her winters in Florida where she could always be found putting together a puzzle while visiting with friends on the porch. Her proudest achievement was raising her children and grandchildren.

Rita is survived by her husband Dennis of Bethel; her son Douglas and his wife Jodie of Bethel, and their 3 children, Danna, Dane and Drew; a daughter, Melinda Wilson of Connecticut and her 2 sons, Trevor and Grafton; a son, David and his wife Sheri of Bethel and their 3 children Santana, Asher and T.C.; she is also survived by many nieces and nephews and her beloved American eskimo, little Bub. She will lovingly be remembered in the community as Grammy Rita.

She was predeceased by her parents; stepfather Mervin Buck, baby sister Janice, and brothers Stanwood and Arthur Pingree. Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

Rita's wishes were for no memorial service, therefore a celebration of life will be held at a later date with a graveside service for the family in the spring. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Responsible Pet Care, 132 Waterford Road, Norway, Maine 04268.



JOHN G. TRINWARD

John Greenleaf Trinward died Nov. 20, 2012 at Maine General Medical Center in Waterville, Maine.

John was born Feb. 22, 1953, in Rumford, to Margaret G. and John W. Trinward. He lived in Bethel, Maine, and graduated from Telstar High School as the valedictorian of his class in 1971. John graduated from the University of Maine in Orono with a Bachelor's degree in engineering physics in 1975 and received his MBA in 1977.

John was an environmental engineer and owned and operated his own company, Castline Energy Services. He worked in power plants and paper mills throughout the New England region improving air and water quality while helping companies improve their energy conservation and plant processing.

On Jan. 2, 1977, John married the love of his life and his best friend, Pamela Jabar. They have been married for 35 loving years. They had four children and raised them in large part in Waterville. They spent many happy days coaching and cheering their children at soccer games, basketball games and school performances. John was a favorite coach to many kids in the Waterville area as well as the host of many hours of tutoring sessions at his kitchen table teaching physics and any challenging science or math course. He was known for teaching his athletes and students about the rules of the sport, and the game of life.

A wonderful man, a friend to everyone he met and a person of eternal optimism, with the expression "It's a beautiful thing!" always at the tip of his tongue.

John was an avid skier and spent his childhood skiing at Sunday River. He taught his four children to ski at Sugarloaf and in his most recent years really found his home and special place at the mountain with Pam.

He loved late night chats with his friends and family full of craft beer, board games, puzzles and funny stories around his chiminea or kitchen table. John loved the Red Sox and the sport of baseball; he lived for the seventh inning stretch to stand and sing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" and his extraordinary presence made it impossible not to sing along.

Surviving are his wife Pam; his father, Jack, of Waterford; his brother Kevin and wife Cindy of Gray; his brother Steve of Nashville, Tenn.; his children, JT and Sarah Trinward of South Portland, Kate and Akanimo Udo of Washington, D.C., Misty and Nick Fitzgerald of Salem, Mass., Andrea and Kyle Kwaczala of Bridgeport, Conn.; and two grandchildren, Felix and Lucy Trinward of South Portland. He was predeceased by a sister, Nancy, and his mother, Margaret.

A funeral service was held at St. Joseph's Maronite Church in Waterville, Maine, on Saturday, Nov. 24. In lieu of flowers, contributions in John's memory can be made to the Waterville Alford Youth Center Boys and Girls Club.

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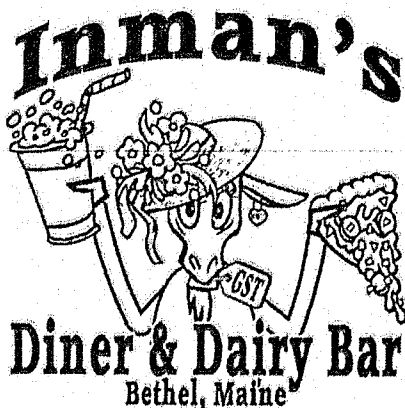
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Please take the time to look at these names and let the committee know if there should be any additions, deletions or information added to this list, and if so, the documentation that would back up this request. If you see a veteran on this list and no cemetery listed and they are deceased, please let a committee member know where they are buried.

If you need a copy of your DD forms, contact the Bureau of Maine Veteran's Services @ 207-430-6035 and request an application to apply for the DD form for proof of residence or Home of Record. You can also order your military records by going online to: www.vetrecs.archives.gov fill out the form online, print it, sign it and send it in. Or request Form SF 180 from the National Personnel Records Center, Military Personnel Records, 1 Archives Drive, St. Louis, Mo 63138. They will send the form for completion, you will send it back to them at the address indicated on the form and they will send a copy of your records. There is no charge for this service.

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Please get back to one of the following committee members by Dec. 15, 2012 with any information. You may mail or e-mail any changes of information to the following committee members: Jane Ryerson, P.O. Box 152, Bethel, Maine 04217 e-mail: carjar95@megalink.net or call 207-357-2772, or Ramona Grover, 183 Kings Highway, Mason Township, ME 04217, e-mail: rlgx2@megalink.net or call 207-836-2802.

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